

At 12:00 Noon he proceeded to the front of the Fort Meigs Hotel and shortly thereafter an automobile pulled up along the curb in front of him and the driver told him to get into the automobile. Ollie advised that he immediately recognized the driver of the car as Alvin Karpis, and upon this recognition he got into the car and Karpis drove away.

Continuing, Ollie stated that Karpis drove him to his place of residence, the exact address he does not know, and upon entering his home, he was introduced to a small, dark girl whom Karpis stated was his wife. She gave them something to eat and drink and approximately two hours later Karpis stated that they were going to another place to meet the boys.

Ollie advised that upon arriving at this other residence, he observed Jimmie Wilson, Dr. Moran, Slim Evans, "Doc" Barker, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell and a girl whom he only knows as Wynona, and who is the wife of Harry Campbell, sitting in a room. He further stated that "Doc" Barker at this time asked him if he had the \$900.00 which he owed them, and when Ollie stated that he did not, "Shorty" mentioned that in that event they would give him another opportunity to settle this debt. In this connection he stated that the boys wanted him to go with Slim and his wife to take \$40,000.00 of "hot" money and peddle it between Toledo and New York; that they would pay him 12 1/2% commission as before. Ollie stated that he flatly refused this offer and advised "Shorty" that he did not want anything to do with them; that they already had involved him in a lot of trouble with the Government. According to Ollie, "Shorty" then advised that if he did not want to accept his offer, he would have to stay in Toledo, Ohio until they told him to go.

At this time Ollie stated that when he entered the second place, which he later learned was the home of Harry Campbell and his wife, he observed that "Doc" Barker and Volney Davis had their fingers bandaged; that he later learned that Dr. Moran had likewise performed operations on them in an effort to obliterate their fingerprints. He further stated that about two or three days after the operations were performed on the fingers of "Doc" Barker and Volney Davis, Dr. Moran performed similar operations on the fingers of Harry Campbell; that during the three or four weeks following Jimmie Wilson remained with them almost constantly and gave them necessary medical aid.

Ollie further stated that while he was in Toledo, Ohio, he lived part of the time at Harry Campbell's home and then moved in with Slim and his wife, who had an apartment on Collingwood Avenue, Toledo, Ohio.

He advised that he remained in Toledo for one week and then obtained permission from the boys to return to Chicago.

Ollie stated that he continued to live at 5248 North Winthrop Avenue, and about two weeks after his return to the city, he received another telephone call from Slim, instructing him to proceed again to Toledo just as soon as possible. Ollie advised that he asked Slim what it was all about but Slim gave him no satisfaction in this regard, merely stating that the boys had some work for him.

Ollie advised that he left Chicago the following day and again checked in at the Fort Meigs Hotel upon his arrival in Toledo. About two or three days later he received a telephone call from "Doc" Barker, who instructed him to proceed to the Casino Club, where someone would give him further instructions. Ollie advised that when he arrived at the Casino Club, he met "Doc" Barker and Harry Campbell there. At this time "Doc" again asked Ollie if he were willing to sell their remaining "hot" money between Cleveland and New York, and when Ollie again refused, "Doc" made the statement, "We'll make you do it", and then instructed Ollie to accompany them to Harry Campbell's home. He stated that when he arrived there, he again saw Dr. Moran, Jimmie Wilson, Slim Gray, Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis; that he later learned that Jimmie Wilson had been living with Harry Campbell and his wife during his entire stay at Toledo, Ohio.

Ollie stated that the boys told him to move in with Slim Gray and his wife and to remain in Toledo until further instructions were given to him; that at this time he stayed there for nine days and on one occasion during this period he, together with Jimmie Wilson and Slim, helped move Alvin Karpis and his wife from their former place of residence to the Jarvis Apartments; that on this occasion Jimmie Wilson did the driving and he carried all the luggage, some of which he believed contained machine guns and other firearms.

Ollie stated that while in Toledo he spent most of his time at the Casino Club, which was considered generally a hangout for the boys; that on frequent occasions while at the club he heard the boys remark, when the word was spread that Government men were in town, that the Government had no jurisdiction in this case as Bremer was not taken out of the state. He stated in this connection that this was the only remark he overheard which related to this case, and positively asserts that none of the boys had ever told him that the money which they wanted him to peddle and which he had previously handled through "Boss" McLaughlin was kidnap ransom money.

Ollie continued, stating that during his entire stay at Toledo, Ohio, on the second visit, "Doc" Barker insisted that he dispose of the remainder of the "hot" money but each time Ollie refused, giving the reason that he was afraid to take a chance. He stated that they kept him in Toledo until his money was exhausted and when he had about \$50.00 left, he told Slim that he was leaving for Chicago in spite of the boys' warning that he remain with them. Ollie stated that Slim informed him that he had better not do this, as the boys certainly would put him "on the spot" but Ollie advised that he was so desperate, he did not care what happened to him.

Ollie returned to Chicago about the middle of July, 1934, and since that time he has not received any word from any of the boys except Jimmie Wilson and Slim Gray; that Slim came to Chicago around the latter part of July, 1934, and lived in this city during August and September, 1934; that he frequently visited Ollie at his home at 5248 Winthrop Avenue, and on these visits he told Ollie that he likewise was through with the racket.

At this time Ollie emphatically stated that it is his belief that Slim was not acquainted with any of the boys in question prior to the time that he introduced him to "Doc" Barker in April, 1934; that he positively knows that Slim was not out of the city during the time that Bremer was held captive in January and February, 1934, and any information received by this office to the effect that he played a part in the instant kidnaping is entirely false.

He further stated that the last time he saw Dr. Moran was in Toledo, Ohio, when he left there in July, 1934, and since that time he had heard on one occasion from Jimmie Wilson that Dr. Moran was living in Detroit, Michigan.

On the morning of December 14, 1934, Special Agent in Charge, William Larson of the Detroit Division office telephoned the Chicago Division office from Toledo, Ohio, and talked with Special Agent in Charge D.M. Ladd at which time he stated that he was stopping at the Commodore Perry Hotel, Toledo, Ohio; that inquiry should not be made at the hotel for him under his name, but that if it was desirable to communicate with him he should be reached through room 604. The following information in connection with this case was submitted:

He advised that a woman had left Toledo at 4:45 A.M. for Chicago, and was to arrive in Chicago at 8:45 A.M.; that she was going to the Morrison Hotel and register under the name of Mrs. J.A. Ranlow; that Mrs. Ranlow had received a telegram from one Mildred Kuhlman, room 3121, Hotel Morrison, Chicago, requesting her to come to Chicago at once, that if she could not immediately proceed to Chicago to notify Mildred in care of 641 Oakdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Mildred is supposed to be registered at the Hotel Morrison, room 3121 under the name of Patricia Lonquest. Patricia, or Mildred, is supposed to be in constant touch with the Barkers and Karpis, and is alleged to have left Toledo about 2 or 3 weeks ago with Jack, Fred and Arthur Barker and Alvin Karpis.

Special Agent in Charge Larson advised that the above information had been received from a relative of Mrs. Ranlow, and that nothing should be done in this investigation which would disclose the fact that this information had been received from this relative. Mrs. Ranlow is expected to register at the Morrison Hotel as above stated, and to get in touch with Mildred, presumably through her room at the Hotel Morrison, or through the address 641 Oakdale Avenue.

Mrs. Ranlow was described as follows:

Age: 26

Height: 5'4"

Weight: 110 lb.

Attired in gray dress, gray shoes, black broadcloth coat with gray fur collar, carrying black purse, and having no hand baggage.

Mildred is described as follows:

Age: 23
Height: 5'3"
Weight: 118 or 120 lb.
Hair: Auburn; bobbed
Face: Very good looking

Special Agent in Charge Larson stated that Mrs. Ranlow was expecting to telegraph her relatives in Toledo about 8 o'clock December 14, 1934, advising whether she had arrived safely and if she had contacted Mildred. Mr. Larson stated further that upon receipt of additional information he would telephone directly to Special Agent in Charge E.J. Connelley, the telephone number of Mr. Connelley at room 1026, New York Life Building, Chicago, Illinois, having been furnished Mr. Larson by Special Agent in Charge D.M. Ladd.

Manager T.H. Sadler, and Assistant Manager J.O. Conway Hutchins of the Hotel Morrison, Clark and Madison Streets, Chicago, Illinois, were interviewed by Special Agents S.K. McKee and J.J. Metcalfe, and it was learned that there were no such persons as Patricia Longquest, Mildred Kuhlman, or Mrs. J.A. Ranlow registered at the hotel. It was ascertained, however, that room 3121 had been occupied since December 11, 1934 by Mrs. A.P. Allen, 231 South 7th Avenue, LaGrange, Illinois, and Mrs. A.R. Esser, 3711 Grove Avenue, Akron, Ohio. These women were registered in on the above date by clerk G. Anderson. Examination of the registration records of the hotel was made for the month of December, 1934, but none of the names furnished by Special Agent in Charge Larson could be found.

Through Chief House Officer Edward Purdy, it was ascertained that the following local and long distance calls have been placed from room 3121:

Long Distance

12-13-34 - 11:05 P.M. Lawndale 0353 Toledo, Ohio
13 minutes. Conversation from Mrs. Clark
to Mrs. Corbin.
12-13-34 - 11:30 P.M. Lawndale 0353 Toledo, Ohio
4 minutes. Conversation between Mrs. Esser
and Mrs. Corbin.

Local Calls, and listing obtained from Telephone Company

12-12-34 - Bittersweet 3223 - listed to Mrs. Tillie C. Longquest, 641 W. Oakdale Ave., Apartment 2
 Briargate 8000 - Sovereign Hotel, 6200 Kenmore Ave.
 Diversey 9180 (3 calls) - Commonwealth Hotel, 3753 Pinegrove Ave.
 Harrison 3500 - Congress Hotel and Annex, S. Michigan and E. VanBuren St.
 Whitehall 6844 - Mrs. Lucile M. Solomon 37 E. Oak St., Apartment 2
 12-13-34 - Graceland 4700 - Parkway Beauty Salon, 710 1/2 Diversey Parkway, 1st floor
 Diversey 9269 - Barbara Longquest, 2242 N. Lincoln Parkway
 12-14-34 - Bittersweet 3223 - Mrs. Tillie C. Longquest 641 W. Oakdale Ave., Apartment 2.

Inasmuch as the several local telephone calls to the apartment of Mrs. Tillie C. Longquest, 641 W. Oakdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, from room 3121 at the Hotel Morrison indicated that the occupants of this room were no doubt the individuals referred to in the telephone call of Special Agent in Charge, Larson, Agents McKee and Metcalfe made arrangements through Chief House Officer Purdy to occupy room 3120, which is located next to room 3121, and to listen in on all incoming and outgoing telephone calls of room 3121. This arrangement was effected at about noon December 14, 1934, and it should be stated that the list of telephone calls set out above is a complete list up until the time this cover was arranged.

The following is a log of telephone conversations emanating from room 3121: De

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12-16-54

[REDACTED]

8:35 P.M.

[REDACTED]

5 P.M. Inquiry of hotel as to whether un-
escorted ladies are allowed in the
Terrace Garden during dinner hours.

8 P.M.

[REDACTED]

8:55 P.M.

[REDACTED]

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9 P.M. Through Servidor Agent McKee heard
bellboy deliver key to No. 3128 to
Mrs. Ranlow.

9 P.M. [REDACTED]

9:10 P.M. - Arrangements made with Chief House
Officer Purdy by Agent McKee
to cover telephone calls to and from room 3128
(Mrs. Ranlow) over Agent's 'phone. Officer
Purdy advised at this time that No. 3121 was running
up a sizable bill.

10:05 P.M. - [REDACTED]

10:30 P.M. - Room No. 3121 left instructions with
telephone operator to transfer all
calls for 3128 to No. 3121.

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11:20 P.M. - Incoming City call to room 3121.
No answer.

12-15-34 - 1:20 A.M. - Parties returned to room 3121. (Note: It should be stated here that during the period this cover was maintained on room 3121, the voices of the several women occupants could be heard at times through the walls, but that nothing they said could be understood. By listening through the walls, Agents were able to ascertain whether the occupants of this room were in or out).

9:30 A.M. - Breakfast ordered through room service.

9:35 A.M. - Call to New York Central information, where it was learned trains to Toledo were available at 11 A.M. and 3:10 P.M.

9:40 A.M. [REDACTED]

10:15 A.M. - Room 3121 called room service to have breakfast table removed.

10:30 A.M. [REDACTED]

10:51 A.M. [REDACTED]

1:20 P.M. [REDACTED]

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1:30 P.M. - Room No. 3121 calling room service lunch ordered for three, also a bromo seltzer.

1:57 P.M. - Room 3121 calling room service asking that lunch order be hurried as they had to make a train.

2:35 P.M. - Call to operator by room 3121 asking for the time.

3:25 P.M. - Call to room service asking that lunch table be taken out of room.

3:30 P.M. - Call to bell captain for latest editions of American, News and Times.

5:25 P.M. - Call to cashier by woman stating occupants of room were checking out and asking that bill be made up. Permission requested to use room until about 7:30 P.M. with statement that occupants were leaving on a train at about that time.

5:38 P.M. - Left service call with operator "Going out to dinner, back at 7 P.M."

5:45 P.M. - Agent McKee through Servidor noticed two women leave No. 3121. One of these women was a distinct blond about 5'8" tall with deep blue eyes, wearing a mink fur coat and a black hat. The second woman had dark henna colored hair, was about 5'4" in height and wore a Fitch fur coat (the stripes in this coat ran lengthwise); she also wore a black hat. (Note: This information was telephoned to Special Agent in Charge Connelley, and arrangements were made to cover the two hotel exits, and to trail these women away from the hotel as will be set out below.

6:06 P.M. - Incoming call from city; man talking. Operator informed him occupants of room 5121 were out, but would return at 7 P.M. This man said he would call later.

7:10 P.M. - Blond woman returned to room.

7:13 P.M. - Woman with henna hair returned to room.

7:30 P.M. A third person entered room 5121, and it was thought he was a man.

7:54 P.M. Woman called bell captain.

7:58 P.M. - The two women accompanied by a short-heavy set man wearing glasses, a derby hat and black overcoat left room with baggage.

At 8:38 P.M. December 15, 1934, when information was received through the telephone cover on room 5121, Hotel Morrison, that the two women occupants were leaving, arrangements were made by Special Agent in Charge E.J. Connelley to place agents in the lobby of the hotel to watch these women as they left there, and to place an automobile containing agents at each of the two hotel exits in order that they might be trailed to their destination. Agent R.D. Brown was stationed at the Madison Street exit while Agent V.W. Peterson remained at the Clark Street exit. Agents J.L. Madala and M. Chaffetz waited near the Clark Street exit in a Division car, while Agents R.G. Gillespie and R.C. Suran covered the Madison Street exit in a Division car. Special Agent in Charge E.J. Connelley remained in the hotel lobby to cover these women at the time they paid their bill, and Special Agent S.K. McKee remained in the lobby for the purpose of pointing out these women to Agents Peterson and Brown at the respective exits.

At about 7:15 P.M., the two women returned to the hotel via the Clark Street entrance, and the woman with henna hair, who is thought to be Mildred, registered as Mrs. A.R. Esser, proceeded to the cashier's desk and paid her bill. The blond woman, registered as

Mrs. A.P. Allen, proceeded to her room. At about 8 P.M. the two women accompanied by the short heavy set man described in the telephone log entered the lobby from the elevators, and left the hotel via the Madison Street exit. This man did not bear a resemblance to any person known to be connected with this file. The party was accompanied at this time by a bellboy, who carried their baggage. The party entered a black colored Ford V-8, 5 passenger coupe, bearing 1934 Illinois license plates 1-289-927, which was parked near the hotel entrance, and drove off in an easterly direction. This car was followed by the Division car occupied by Agents Brown, Gillespie, and Suran. A short time later, the second Division car occupied by Special Agent in Charge E.J. Connelley and Agents Madala and Chaffetz likewise followed this car.

Effort was made to obtain the listing on 1934 Illinois license 1-289-927 through the Motor Vehicle Division of the Chicago Police Department, but they did not have data as to this tag. It was learned telephonically through the St. Louis Division office that this tag was issued on November 26, 1934, to Andrew Allen, 57 East Harrison Street, Chicago, Illinois, for use on a 1934 Ford car, type unknown, motor No. 1-142-463.

Investigation showed that 57 E. Harrison Street, Chicago, Illinois, is the address of Hotel Harrison. Interviews had by Special Agent S.K. McKee with Thomas C. Callen, Manager, who after referring to his employment records, advised that there is no one in the employ of the hotel by the name of Andrew Allen. Examination of the hotel registration records for the months of November and December, 1934, resulted in learning that Andrew Allen, Aurora, Illinois, registered at the hotel on December 5, 1934, and checked out on December 7, 1934. He was assigned to room 426, and his account number was A-45171. A tracing was obtained from his registration card for possible use in way of comparison with his application for automobile registration. The hotel records indicated that Allen paid for two days in advance at the time he registered, although he had one bag in his possession when he came to the hotel. The hotel records failed to reveal that Allen made any long distance or local telephone calls from his room.

The registration records of the Hotel Harrison were also searched for the name A.P. Allen, Mrs. A.R. Esser, Mildred Kuhlman, Patricia Lonquest, and Mrs. J.A. Ranlow, but with negative results.

On the night of December 16, 1934, after the surveillance on the two women who had been in room 3121 at the Morrison Hotel had been dropped, as will be set out later in this report, inquiries were made by Special Agent S.K. McKee through Assistant Manager Lorenz of the Commonwealth Hotel, Chicago, Illinois and clerk Knott at the Hotel Sovereign, Chicago, Illinois, for possible information as to these two women having checked in at these hotel on the late night of December 15, 1934, but examination of registration records failed to result in the location of the women.

The following is being reported by Special Agent R. D. Brown concerning the departure of the two women and one man from the Morrison Hotel on the night of 12/15/34 in a Ford V-8 five passenger coupe, Illinois license No. 1-289-297. It will be noted in this report that the driver of this car has been identified as John Borgia and that the blonde woman accompanying him was Patricia Lonquest and the other woman who was wearing the expensive fur coat was Mildred Kuhlman, either the wife or paramour of Doc Barker. When these three persons in the afore-described Ford coupe left the Morrison Hotel, they were followed by two Division automobiles, the first being occupied by Special Agents Brown, Gillespie and Suran and the other by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and Agents Madala and Chaffetz. The automobile in question proceeded to Michigan Avenue and thence out to the outer drive to Roscoe Street. At this point the car left the outer drive and proceeded slowly West on Roscoe Street, where it stopped at 326 Roscoe, at which time one of the women was observed leaving the car and entering an apartment house where she remained about a half a minute and returned. She was evidently looking for a street address or inquiring for apartments. She then entered the car and proceeded to Broadway, where they turned South at which time they were followed by a Division car occupied by Special Agents Gillespie and Suran, Agent Brown having left the Division auto in order to be in a better position to observe the occupants of the car when they stopped at the Roscoe Street Address.

Agents Gillespie and Suran reported they followed this car south on Broadway to Melrose Street, where they again stopped a moment, going into another apartment house for an instant and then proceeded to the corner of the inner drive and Melrose, where due to heavy traffic Agents Gillespie and Suran were unable to continue their surveillance. Had this surveillance been continued and these Agents taken unnecessary

chances in rushing through the traffic, there was a possibility of being observed by the occupants of the car. This information was then reported to the occupants of the other Division car, and upon instructions of Special Agent in Charge Connelley both Division automobiles covered all of the streets in that section thoroughly in an attempt to again find this particular automobile, without results.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent S.K. McKee on December 17, 1934:

In connection with the Ford Victoria coupe bearing 1934 Illinois license No. 1-289-927, in which the two women (Mrs. A. P. Allen and Mrs. A. R. Esser) and the unknown man left the Morrison Hotel, Chicago, on the night of December 15, 1934, which car was found to be listed to Andrew Allen, 57 East Harrison Street, Chicago, Illinois, telephonic communication with the St. Louis Division office resulted in the information that this automobile was purchased on November 23, 1934, from the Vrba Motor Company, 5100 West 25th Street, Cicero, Illinois; further that the purchaser used the same address as appears in the application for license; that the purchase was a cash transaction, and that there is no lien against the car.

Interview with A.C. Newquist at the Vrba Motor Company, Cicero, Illinois, resulted in the information that A. J. Newquist is the owner of the business; that he has been incapacitated for some time as a result of an automobile accident. A. J. Newquist is generally known as Art Newquist and is an uncle of A. C. Newquist.

With respect to the instant automobile, A. C. Newquist advised that on November 23, 1934, two men called at the salesroom and inquired for Art Newquist. When told that Art was laid up with injuries one of the men, described as a tall skinny individual, stated he was a friend of Art's and wanted to purchase a black Victoria coupe. It was stated that such a car happened to be on the floor at the time that these two men called and a sale was consummated at that time. The car purchased was a Ford Victoria coupe, black in color, bearing motor No. 114246. The total purchase price, which included a dog radiator ornament and bumper guards, was \$706.50, which was paid at the time in cash by the tall, skinny individual. The money consisted of one \$100 bill and the balance in \$20.00 bills. Mr. Newquist stated that the tall skinny individual did not accept delivery of the car on November 23, 1934, but that same was turned over to him on Sunday, November 25, 1934. It was stated by Mr. Newquist that he handled both contacts with the purchaser, and that these two contacts are the only times he has seen either of the men who are connected with the car. He stated that no license application was filled out by the purchaser, and that his name was not signed to any paper. At the time of this purchase the tall skinny individual furnished the name Andrew Allen, address c/o Harrison Hotel, 57 West Harrison Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Three different photographs of Russell Gibson were displayed to Mr. A. C. Newquist and he immediately identified them as likenesses of Andrew Allen, the tall skinny individual who purchased this automobile. He described the man with Gibson on November 23, 1934, as being about 40 years of age, short and stocky and stated that he was wearing a black overcoat and a derby hat.

A. C. Newquist was informed that Gibson, who is a fugitive, had purchased other automobiles from the Vrba Motor Company and that arrangements had been made with the motor company to notify the Chicago Division office in the event Gibson again put in an appearance at the motor company. He stated that he did not know of any such arrangements, but called in the woman cashier, who informed that such arrangements had been made with Mr. A. J. Newquist. Photographs of Russell Gibson were displayed to the cashier and she recognized him as Roy Gray, who purchased a Ford coupe last Spring, under the name Clara Gray and who later brought the car in for the purpose of having a radio installed in it. Mr. Newquist stated that he would have been glad to advise the Chicago Division office if he had known of its interest in locating Gibson. He stated that it was quite possible that Gibson, or Allen, would bring in the Victoria coupe for a checkup, and he said in the event he did come in with the car, he will immediately notify the Chicago Division office. For this purpose, the names of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and Special Agents R. D. Brown and S. K. McKee were furnished to Mr. Newquist along with telephone numbers Randolph 6226 and Franklin 4606.

Known handwriting of Russell Gibson has been compared with the tracing of the signature of Andrew Allen, as it appears on registration record at the Hotel Harrison, Chicago, Illinois, under date of December 5, 1934, and the two handwritings appeared the same.

It should be noted here that on the night of December 17, 1934, when Special Agent S. K. McKee first called at the Vrba Motor Company for information concerning the Ford Victoria coupe in question, he met former informant Jack Liberty in the salesroom. Conversation was later had with Liberty and he stated that the Vrba Motor Company does not bear a good reputation. When asked for details, Liberty said he could not name anything specific, but did know that they would enter into almost any sort of transaction in order to sell a car; further, that numerous hoodlums have purchased cars from this concern. Liberty was told to make inquiry through persons known to him at the motor company as to the reason for Agent's call there, and he stated that he would do this and would communicate with Agent McKee later on, informing of the results of his inquiry.

Concerning the registration of Mrs. A. P. Allen, 231 South 7th Avenue, La Grange, Illinois, at the Morrison Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, Agent Suran conducted the following investigation at La Grange, Illinois, on December 15, 1934, to ascertain all information possible concerning Mrs. A. P. Allen.

Interview was had with C. W. Farley, Postmaster, and Gilbert Schultz, mail carrier, at La Grange, Illinois, and it was determined that the address of 231 South 7th Avenue was presently occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Oscar K. Middleton, telephone, LaGrange 1101, and their son Kelso Middleton, age 20; that these individuals had resided at this address for approximately two years prior to which the same was occupied by Jesse Roberts, who is presently an attorney in Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Farley and Mr. Schultz advised that Mr. Roberts was an eccentric individual, who at the present time is about 67 or 68 years of age, and who, to their knowledge, had been married four times. They advised that Mr. Roberts had accumulated considerable wealth, and had more than two years ago married a woman a number of years younger than himself, and it was reported that this woman's sister operated a house of prostitution in Chicago, Illinois; and that it was a general opinion at La Grange that this woman married Jesse Roberts to secure as much of his wealth as possible, and probably caused him to marry her through some sort of threat to his reputation.

Interview was had with a Mrs. Innis, 221 South 7th Avenue, La Grange, who stated that so far as she knew the Middletons were respectable people and that prior to the Middletons moving into the house about two years ago, it was occupied by the owner, Jesse Roberts, a Chicago attorney, who had married a woman about twentyfive years of age. She stated that Mr. Roberts and his young wife resided there for several months prior to the time the Middletons moved into the place and that during the occupancy of the Roberts numerous wild parties were held in the house, and the same was a source of considerable comment and complaint by the various neighbors. She stated that she did not know the full name of the young woman who married Mr. Roberts; that she recalled that he called her "Pat" and that she had, so far as the neighbors could ascertain, a poor reputation; that her conduct was of such a nature that finally Mr. Roberts literally put her in the street. She stated that Mr. Roberts was an eccentric individual, who is at the present time residing in Chicago and married to his fifth wife.

The circumstances indicate that Mrs. A. P. Allen is "Patty" Lonquest and possibly was at one time married to Mr. Roberts when the latter resided at La Grange, Illinois.

In connection with ^{the} three women who were located at the Morrison Hotel, Special Agent J. J. Metcalfe, accompanied by Special Agent S. K. McKee, obtained information at the hotel regarding the presence of these women, their addresses, telephone calls, etc. In tracing the local telephone calls which were made by these parties, one was discovered to have been made to Whitehall 6844. This number is assigned to Mrs. Lucille M. Coleman, 57 East Oak Street, apartment #2. This address was checked by Agent Metcalfe with the following results.

57 East Oak Street is a three story black brick building, which stands back from the sidewalk a little further than the other buildings on the same side of the street, so that it is almost hidden from view. On the front window appears the sign "The Elite Domestic Placement Bureau". There are three mailboxes in the lobby. The first of these, or the one at the extreme top, bears the names "Coleman, English, Miller and Evans. No names appear on the second or middle box, and on the third box appear the names Maria Worrell, Margaret LaRue, Charles E. Swanson, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George Lynch, Elite Domestic Placement Bureau. This last mentioned mailbox apparently is for the first floor of the building. Mr. and Mrs. George Lynch are the people who operate the Elite Domestic Placement Bureau, according to information obtained next door. At the time the writer was inspecting these mailboxes a delivery truck from the North Side Cleaners and Dyers drew up in front of this address and a delivery boy brought a package up, on which was marked the word "Coleman".

Special Agent Metcalfe then made inquiry next door at 61 East Oak Street, which is a large apartment building managed by Mrs. P. C. Oleson, telephone Superior 9859. A confidential interview was had with Mrs. Oleson and she advised that the address 57 East Oak Street is in the hands of receivers by the name of Schmit and Watt, 40 North Dearborn Street, telephone No. Randolph 1984. She said that she did not know the people living in this house personally, but that she had on several occasions made complaints to the police because of the many animals kept by the people on the first floor. She did not know who the people upstairs were, but stated that both the second and third floors are occupied. On one occasion not long ago, a woman residing on the third floor at 57 East Oak Street, telephoned Mrs. Oleson and asked her if she had any vacancies in her building because she and her daughter, who lived across the street at 58 East Oak Street wanted to take an apartment together. Mrs. Oleson did not have any vacancies at the time and informed this woman that she would have no vacancies until next Spring. Mrs. Oleson wrote down the name of this woman, but was unable to find her note. She explained that the apartments at 57 East Oak Street, are six room apartments.

She also said that she thought that Mr. and Mrs. Lynch are gamblers, because of the fact that they kept some sort of small racing animals, which appeared to resemble turtles, and because Mrs. Lynch had stated that her husband kept a very large sum of money in the house. Mrs. Oleson did not know of any suspicious circumstances or unusual activities in regard to the house next door, stating that it would be difficult to ascertain anything of this nature, in view of the fact that this immediate neighborhood has a number of night clubs and consequently there is considerable night life activity and the presence of strange automobiles is nothing unusual. She stated that she has often observed the colored janitor next door taking out baskets full of empty beer and liquor bottles. She expressed the opinion that the placement bureau is just a blind and that in fact the people who claim to operate it were in some sort of a gambling racket.

It would appear from the general information obtained regarding 57 East Oak Street, that this place is occupied by a number of prostitutes or women of questionable character and association, but there is nothing to indicate that any of the subjects in this case are residing or have been visiting this address. Pictures of the various subjects were shown to Mrs. Oleson, but she stated that she has not been at home for quite some time and, therefore, could not identify any of these pictures.

Special Agents D. P. Sullivan and J. J. Metcalfe obtained a room at 61 East Oak Street and maintained a surveillance of the premises at 57 East Oak Street on 12/18/34.

The following investigation is being reported by Special Agent S. K. McKee with reference to the address 57 East Oak Street:

In connection with the surveillance being maintained on the premises located at 57 East Oak Street, Chicago, Illinois, interview was had by Special Agent S. K. McKee with P. N. Schmidt of the firm of Schmidt and Watt, 40 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois, who are receivers for the building located at 57 East Oak Street. Mr. Schmidt informed the building in question is a three floor apartment building, each floor being a separate apartment. The receivership is in the name of the Northern Trust Company, who are in the process of foreclosing a mortgage on the building, which was formerly the property of a Mrs. Strunk.

Mr. Schmidt furnished the following data concerning the various tenants in this building.

The first floor apartment has been occupied by one Eric Swanson for several years. Mr. Schmidt said he could not furnish the date on which Swanson came into the building, as he was a tenant when he, Schmidt, took charge of the building, in November, 1933. Swanson operates the Elite Placement Bureau at 57 East Oak Street, which business

deals in the placing of domestic help. It was stated that it was not known whether Swanson lives in the building, but it was known that he sub-lets a rear room to a woman who uses same for living quarters. Mr. Swanson informed that the only complaint he has received as to the entire building has been in connection with this woman, the reason being that she keeps several dogs, cats, a turkey and two chickens in her place.

The second floor apartment has been occupied since April 1, 1934, by Mrs. Fred Edgington and her mother. These people let rooms to two different roomers. It was stated that the Edgingtons formerly lived at 11 East Delaware Place and at the time they moved into 57 East Oak Street, furnished the name of Nicholas Zender, owner of the building at 11 East Delaware Place, as their reference. Zender, it was stated, informed that Mrs. Edgington was a very desirable tenant. Mr. Schmidt informed further that inquiries by him resulted in learning that Mrs. Edgington is employed as a fitter at Blum's Vogue, 630 South Michigan Avenue, a women's store. He regards the Edgingtons as desirable tenants.

The third floor apartment was leased under date of May 1, 1934, to Mrs. C. Coleman and Harry English. One Milton Miller, a nephew of Mrs. Coleman, also resides in this apartment. Mrs. Coleman and Harry English are cousins. Mr. Schmidt said the above persons are the only ones that reside in this apartment so far as he knows. Investigation instituted by Mr. Schmidt resulted in learning that all three of the above persons formerly resided at the Hotel Lincoln, 5126 North Clark Street.

An interview with manager John Hennessey of that place resulted in learning that they had lived at the hotel for an approximate period of two years; that he was able to state they were good tenants. English is employed as a bartender at the Chez Paree, a night club, and Miller also works at the Chez Paree as a waiter. The two men furnished the name of Herbie Vogel, manager of the Chez Paree as a reference and upon interview Vogel stated he could vouch for them. Investigation by Schmidt revealed that Mrs. Coleman is in the employ of a Mrs. Stertz, room 909 Tower Building, and is engaged in selling linens on a commission basis. She has had this employment for three years and was said to have her own customers. Mrs. Stertz informed Schmidt that he would find Mrs. Coleman to be a satisfactory tenant. Schmidt said that these people have always paid their rent promptly; that he has not had any complaints concerning them and that he, therefore, regards them as desirable tenants.

The surveillance of 57 East Oak Street was without results in observing any of the members or associates of this gang and, therefore, was discontinued on 12/23/34.

Under date of December 19th, 1934, Special Agent S. K. McKee interviewed Assistant Manager Laton, Hotel Commonwealth, 2757 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, for possible information concerning the identity of the person at the Hotel who had received a telephone call from the room occupied by Mildred Kuhlman, alias Mrs. A. R. Esser and Patricia Longquest, alias Miss A. P. Allen, who occupied Room 3121 at the Hotel Morrison, Chicago, Illinois, during the period of December 11th to 15th, 1934. The telephone call in question was made under date of December 12th, 1934. It should be stated here that Agent McKee made prior inquiry at the Hotel Commonwealth in this same connection and examined the records relating to local telephone calls. At a later date, telephone number DIVERsey 1111 appeared in this investigation, this number having been called from the telephone listed to Mrs. Tillie Longquest, 641 Oakdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois and Agent remembered that this number had been seen on the telephone records at the Hotel Commonwealth.

Re-examination of the local telephone records at the Hotel Commonwealth revealed that telephone number DIVERsey 1111 listed to Barbara Longquest, Bittersweet 5233 listed to Mrs. Tillie Longquest, 641 Oakdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois and FRANKlin 9600 listed to the Hotel Morrison, Chicago, Illinois, have been called from the room occupied by John Borcia.

Assistant Manager Laton described Borcia as being about 5'6 or 7" in height; weight, 170 pounds; age, 40 years; hair dark; complexion rough, and as generally wearing a black overcoat with either a white or grey silk muffler. It is to be noted that this individual fits the description of the man who came to the Hotel Morrison on the night of December 15th, 1934 and left with Mildred Kuhlman and Patricia Longquest in a black-colored Ford V-8 Victoria Coupe bearing this year's Illinois license number 1-289-927.

Inasmuch as the above Ford Victoria Coupe had been purchased from the Vrba Auto Sales of Cicero, Illinois by Subject Russell Gibson, alias Slim Gray, under date of November 23rd, 1934, under the name Andrew Allen, Hotel Harrison, Chicago, Illinois, photographs of Subject Gibson were displayed to Assistant Manager Laton and he immediately identified these pictures as being those of the tall, skinny individual who had come to the Hotel on numerous occasions with John Borcia's automobile. It was stated that Gibson often came to the Hotel in the morning and called for Borcia's car and often returned to the Hotel in the evening and left the keys to the car in Borcia's box.

Similar identifications of Subject Gibson were secured through Miss Rose Fancher and Miss Gladys Blankenberg, telephone operators, and through E. A. Kovats, Clerk on duty between the hours of 4:00 P. M. and 11:00 P. M.

Mildred Kuhlman and Patricia Longquest were described to Assistant Manager Laton and he advised that the description of Patricia Longquest fitted that of a tall, blond woman who has been associated with Borcia for about the past ten days. He informed that this woman, who has platinum blond hair, dyed, was picked up by Borcia in the lobby of the Hotel; that she is known as Pattie Carroll; that she wears a mink coat and carries the key to Borcia's room with her. He stated he believed this woman resides at the Hotel Belair and that she came into the Commonwealth Hotel prior to the time Borcia picked up with her, for the purpose of visiting Mrs. Maude Nelson, who occupies Room 539 at the Commonwealth Hotel. Mr. Laton advised further that there is a second blond woman who associates with Borcia, but he was unable to furnish her name. He said, however, that this woman wears a black cloth coat.

Assistant Manager Laton and telephone operator Rose Fancher advised that Subject Russell Gibson last came to the Hotel, so far as they knew, at about 8:30 P. M. on the night of December 18th, 1934, at which time he left the keys to Borcia's automobile in his mail box. On this occasion, Gibson remained seated in the Hotel lobby for possibly fifteen minutes.

Examination of the registration records of the Hotel Commonwealth indicated that John Borcia, 958 North Hamlin Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, registered under date of November 23rd, 1934 and was assigned to Room 727. At the same time he made arrangements with Schmidt's Garage, Hampden Court, which is located two blocks west of the Hotel, to store his automobile. There is a direct telephone line between the Hotel and the garage and the garage furnishes pick-up and delivery service.

At the request of Agent McKee, Mr. Laton communicated with the owner of Schmidt's Garage, who, he stated, was thoroughly reliable, and made inquiry concerning Borcia's automobile under the pretext that Borcia was away from the city and that the management was worried concerning his account. It should be stated here that at the time of Agent's interview, Borcia had been away from the Hotel for three days. It was learned from the garage that Borcia's automobile is a 1934 Model Oldsmobile Sedan, black in color, with a red stripe and a red radiator grill, bearing motor #403292 and 1934 Illinois license 594-680.

Examination was made of the local telephone records at the Hotel Commonwealth relating to John Borcia and it was found that the following calls were made by him during the period of December 1st through December 18th, 1934:

DECEMBER 1, 1934

LONGbeach 8144
DIVERsey 1111 (2)
MONroe 1600
LONGbeach 0513

BITtersweet 2389
LAKeview 3754
SPAulding 4437
SHEldrake 7160

DECEMBER 2, 1934

DIVERsey 1111 (2)
SEEley 5151
HAYmarket 1750

KILDare 0015
LONGbeach 0800
SPAulding 4438

DECEMBER 3, 1934

SPAulding 4438

DECEMBER 4, 1934

LONGbeach 0513
SHEldrake 7160
SPAulding 4438 (3)
MIDway 9166 (2)

BITtersweet 3223
HAYmarket 7150
MONroe 1600

DECEMBER 5, 1934

LONGbeach 0800
BITtersweet 3223
DIVERsey 8842
NEVada 8167

DIVERsey 8842
BUCKingham 10194
BITtersweet 2389

DECEMBER 6, 1934

SEEley 7651
BRIargate 8000

LINcoln 4151

DECEMBER 7, 1934

BITtersweet 4000

DIVERsey 9269

DECEMBER 8, 1934

LONGbeach 0513
BOUlevard 1887
MIDway 9166
LINcoln 4149

BITtersweet 4000 (2)
BRIargate 8000
DIVERsey 8842
DIVERsey 9269

DECEMBER 9, 1934

SPaulding 4438

BITtersweet 4000

DECEMBER 10, 1934

BUCKingham 10194
LINcoln 4151
HAYmarket 7150

BITtersweet 4000 (3)
LINcoln 4149
DIVERsey 1111 (2)

DECEMBER 11, 1934

BITtersweet 4000 (5)
BUCKingham 7051

DIVERsey 1111
MOHawk 3102

DECEMBER 12, 1934

FRANKlin 9600 (2)
WHitehall 4700

DIVERsey 8842

DECEMBER 13, 1934

BITtersweet 4000
ATLantic 3760 (3)
WELlington 0017

LAKevew 5151
LONGbeach 0513 (2)

DECEMBER 14, 1934

MOHawk 3200
BITtersweet 4000 (2)
ATLantic 3760
PLAZa 3200

DIVERsey 8842
LINcoln 4149
MOHawk 3102

DECEMBER 16, 1934

ATLantic 3760
** 9800

BITtersweet 3223

DECEMBER 17, 1934

BITtersweet 4000

DECEMBER 18, 1934

BITtersweet 4000 (5)

SPaulding 4438

There were no long distance telephone calls made by John Borgia from his room in the Hotel Commonwealth. Under date of December 2nd, 1934, however, he received a collect telegram, on which there was a charge of 95¢.

At about 2:50 P. M. on December 19th, 1934, arrangements were made with Assistant Manager Laton of the Hotel Commonwealth to place a tap on the telephone of John Borgia in Room 727 at the Hotel, same being installed by Special Agent J. L. Madala and the listening end being located in Room 741. At approximately the same time Special Agents J. C. White, L. V. Boardman and A. P. Barber commenced a surveillance in the Hotel lobby looking toward the apprehension of Subject Russell Gibson. Special Agent K. R. McIntire covered the telephone tap located in Room 741. The lobby arrangement was such that one Agent was located at all times in the Manager's office, which is located adjoining and behind the Hotel desk, while two other Agents remained in the lobby proper. The result of this surveillance will be incorporated later in this report.

At the time E. A. Kovats, Night Clerk at the Hotel Commonwealth, was interviewed, he informed that he had known John Borgia for about four years. He said Borgia used to run a speakeasy and a gambling joint in the Hotel Lincoln; that he was ejected from this place by Manager Hennessey for maintaining a nuisance. He advised further that Borgia's mother resides at 958 North Hamlin Avenue, which address was used by Borgia at the time he checked into the Hotel Commonwealth.

It was further stated by Mr. Kovats that Borgia has two blond women companions who visit him frequently in his room. Neither of these women keep any clothes at the Hotel but often spend the night there. Mr. Kovats described the woman Pattie Carroll as the tall, blond one who wears the mink coat. He said the second blond woman is also tall; that her name is Goudie; that she formerly resided at 1117 North Dearborn Street, where Kovats worked at one time; that she was ejected from the apartment hotel at that address for engaging in prostitution; that she moved from there to the Park Lane Hotel and is believed to be presently living at the Hotel Belair, which is located on Diversey Parkway, approximately one block from the Hotel Commonwealth. According to Kovats, Borgia associated with the Goudie woman at the time she lived at 1117 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The following listings of telephone numbers called by John Borgia from his room in the Hotel Commonwealth were obtained through the cooperation of Mr. J. R. Harmon, Claim Department, Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois:

LONGbeach 8144 - Hotel Parmenter
5012 N. Winthrop Avenue, Chicago

LONGbeach 0800 - Sherone Apartment Hotel
4425 North Sheridan Road, Chicago

LONGbeach 0513 (Unpublished) -
Albert H. Luers, Apartment 1, 810
Eastwood Avenue, Chicago

DIVERsey 1111 (Unpublished) -
Barbara Longquest, 439 Arlington Place,
Chicago (Note: It was ascertained that
this telephone was only recently transferred
to the above address from Apartment 3-E at
2242 North Lincoln Park West and was former-
ly located at the following addresses, the
original date of installation having been
in 1928:

2728 Hampden Court 747 N. Michigan Ave.
450 Wrightwood Ave. 2758 Hampden Court.)

At the time this woman lived at 2242 North Lincoln Park West and 2758
Hampden Court, she also maintained telephone DIVERsey 9269, which
service was cancelled when she moved to 439 Arlington Place, on or about
December 18th, 1934. At the time she lived at 747 North Michigan Avenue,
which was approximately one year ago, she maintained telephone DELaware
8794. The Telephone Company's records also reflect that this woman
guarantees payment of all charges on telephone BITtersweet 3223, which
number is listed to her mother Mrs. Tillie C. Longquest, 641 Oakdale
Avenue, Chicago.

DIVERsey 8842 (Unpublished -
William Restis, First Floor,
1156 N. Clark St., Chicago

DIVERsey 9269 - (Now disconnected)
Barbara Longquest, 2242 N.
Lincoln Park West, Chicago

MONroe 1600 -
Paragon, Inc., 1104 West
Madison Street, Chicago

BITtersweet 2389 -
Grace Lovelace, 420 Surf St.,
Apartment 511, Chicago

BITtersweet 2333 -
Mrs. Tillie Longquest, 641
W. Oakdale Avenue, Chicago

BITtersweet 4000 -
Belair Hotel, 420 W. Diversey
Parkway, Chicago

LAKeview 3754 (Unpublished)
John McCormick, Apt. 601,
712 Diversey Boulevard,
Chicago

SPAulding 4438 (Unpublished)
Mrs. Josephine Borcy, Apt. 1,
958 N. Hamlin Avenue, Chicago

SPaulding 4437 -
Louis Henigman, Apt. 2,
4516 W. Division St., Chicago

Kildare 0015 -
Paul Bienier Lumber Co.,
4540 W. Belmont Ave., Chicago

SEEley 7631 (Unpublished) -
Romolo Tisani, 2316 West
Washington Street, Chicago

MIDway 9166 -
Frank N. Phiser, M.D.
6158 Evans Avenue, Chicago

BUCKingham 7051 -
Vogue Beauty Shop
755 W. Waveland Ave., Chicago

BRIargate 8000 -
Sovereign Hotel, 6200 N.
Kenmore Avenue, Chicago

BOUlevard 1187 (Unpublished) -
Thomas Mackowiak, Apt. 2, Rear,
5115 South Wall Street, Chicago

FRAnklyn 9600 -
Morrison Hotel, Chicago

WEllington 0017 -
Lake Shore Motor Sales
2840 N. Broadway, Chicago

PLAza 2300 -
Picadilly Hotel, 5107 Blackstone
Avenue, Chicago

SHEldrake 7160 -
Coronado Garage, 6247
Parkway, Chicago

SEEley 5151 -
Bruno Salvatore, 2141 W.
Ohio Street, Chicago

HAYmarket 7150 -
Joseph Tokorny, Room 317,
809 W. Madison St., Chicago

BUCKingham 10194 -
White House Tavern
2720 N. Clark St., Chicago

NEVada 8167 -
Frank Vincenzo, Apt. 1,
331 S. Trumbull Ave., Chicago

LINcoln 4151 (Unpublished) and
LINcoln 4149 (Unpublished)
Peter Farina, 1156 North
Clark Street, Chicago
4th and 1st floors respec-
tively

MOHawk 5102 -
Lincoln Park Arms Hotel
2758 N. Pine Grove Avenue,
Chicago

WHItehall 5700 -
14 W. Elm St. Apartment,
Chicago

ATLantic 3760 (Unpublished)
Clara Smith, Apt. 2,
4823 Cottage Grove Avenue,
Chicago

On December 20th, 1934, the telephone tap maintained on the phone of John Borcia, Room 727, Hotel Commonwealth, resulted in overhearing the conversation between a woman in that room and one "Gert", in Room 317 at Hotel Belair. Manager B. W. Lewis of the Hotel Belair was interviewed by Special Agent McKee and it was learned that no woman bearing the given name Gertrude resides in Room 317. The occupants of this room are Cecelia Porter and Vera Edmondson, both of whom have resided in the Hotel less than two weeks.

Mr. Lewis was asked for information concerning a Goudie woman, who might be living in the Hotel. He stated that one Olive Goudie has resided in Room 308 since September 10th, 1934. This woman is a tall, slender blond, about twenty-five years of age, who habitually wears a black cloth coat. She formerly worked at the Milano Restaurant, but has not been working recently. She drives a black colored Oldsmobile Sedan from time to time and Mr. Lewis stated he saw her driving this car on December 19th, 1934.

According to Mr. Lewis, reports from the maid who attends to the rooms on the floor on which Mrs. Goudie's room is located, she has not slept in her bed for the past four or five days, although she has been seen around the Hotel during the daytime. Mr. Lewis stated further that the Goudie woman is friendly with the two girls who live in Room 317.

Examination was made of local telephone calls emanating from Room 308, Hotel Belair, which is occupied by Olive Goudie, and the following numbers were found:

HAYmarket 9058 DIVERsey 9269
BITTersweet 2628 (3) DIVERsey 1711
DIVERsey 9810

During the time Agent McKee was at the Hotel Belair, Mrs. Maude Nelson, who resides at the Hotel Commonwealth, came into the Hotel. This woman had been pointed out to Agent McKee by Assistant Manager Laton at the Hotel Commonwealth. Agent McKee inquired who this woman was visiting and Manager Lewis informed that she usually visited the Goudie woman. He stated further that she has tried to secure a room at the Hotel Belair, but has been turned down for the reason that she keeps three dogs with her. It was further stated that this woman sold a dog to Olive Goudie; that she has made several efforts to collect payment for the dog but without success, and that her instant visit was possibly for the same purpose.

During an interview with Gladys Blankenberg, Night Telephone Operator, at the Commonwealth Hotel, Agent McKee was informed that at times when John Borcia leaves the Hotel he leaves a message that he can be reached

at either DIVERsey 1111 or a SPAulding number which the operator could not recall. Reference to the listings of the telephone numbers secured and listed above would indicate, however, that the SPAulding number is either the telephone of Louis Henigman, 4516 West Diversey Street, Apartment 2, or Mrs. Josephine Borcy, 958 North Hamlin Avenue, Apartment 1. It was stated that when Borcia leaves these numbers he gives instructions that they shall only be given to "Pat" or "Doc". It was also stated that from time to time a tall, slender individual, who, he has said, is his brother-in-law, comes to the Hotel to visit him. This man has been to the Hotel in company with the tall, skinny person who has been identified as Subject Russell Gibson.

In an effort to ascertain the identity of the person at the Lincoln Park Arms Hotel with whom John Borcia has communicated, interview was had by Special Agent McKee with Manager Fred Clare of the Lincoln Park Arms Hotel. Manager Clare has been contacted in the past on other matters and has been found to be entirely reliable. He was questioned as to a possible acquaintanceship with John Borcia, as was Clerk Harold Clark. Neither one of them knew Borcia. Accordingly an examination was made of outgoing local telephone calls from this Hotel to the Hotel Commonwealth, for the period of December 1st through December 20th, 1934, and it was ascertained that such calls had only been made from three different rooms; namely, rooms occupied by Mrs. Jack Quinn, Mr. Oppenheim and a Mr. Deutsch.

Manager Clare stated that Mr. Deutsch sells Houbigant's perfumes and is to be considered reliable. Mr. Oppenheim has no regular employment and is connected with "bookie" joints. With regard to Mrs. Quinn, he stated that these calls were probably to a Miss Rountree. It is deemed appropriate to state here that prior inquiries have been made at the Lincoln Park Arms Hotel by Agent McKee with regard to the husband of Mrs. Quinn, in connection with information received from [redacted] to the effect that Subject Gibson had been going into the Lincoln Park Arms Hotel. Investigation by Agent McKee resulted in the information that the party supposed to have been Subject Gibson was Frank Brown, Jr., who, from time to time, visited the Quinn apartment. Data supplied by [redacted] was also to the effect that Jack Quinn is a narcotics peddler, as well as addict.

In connection with the telephone calls to the Hotel Commonwealth which emanated from the apartment of the Quinns at the Hotel Lincoln Park Arms, it should also be stated that telephone PLaza 3200, listed to the Picadilly Hotel, was called from this apartment. This number is included among the calls made from the room of John Borcia at the Hotel Commonwealth.

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In connection with the telephone listed to Clara Smith, Apartment 2, 4823 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ATLantic 3760, which number was called from the room of John Borcia at the Hotel Commonwealth, inquiry through the Telephone Company resulted in the information that this 'phone, which is an unpublished line, was installed under date of November 24th, 1934. In view of the fact that the given name of this woman is identical with the given name of Subject Gibson's wife, also as this 'phone was installed on or about the same date that Subject Gibson purchased his Ford Victoria Coupe from the Vrba Motor Company, Cicero, Illinois, investigation was made in the vicinity of 4823 Cottage Grove Avenue. It was ascertained that the apartment, which is located over a store in a two-floor building, is handled by one J. Johann, janitor of the apartment building located at 4852 Cottage Grove Avenue.

Mr. Johann was interviewed by Special Agents R. D. Brown and S. K. McKee on December 20th, 1934 and he informed that the apartment in question is vacant at the present time, the occupants having moved out on or about December 12th, 1934. When questioned concerning the identity of the occupants he stated that a few days before Thanksgiving, 1934, the apartment was rented by a woman who furnished her name as Ethel Wilson. The occupants did not use the apartment for living quarters but during the evening hours Ethel Wilson and two other women, named Kitty and Virginia respectively, operated a "sporting house" at this address. Johann described the three women as being in the neighborhood of thirty years of age and said they kept a negro maid at the apartment. They had a telephone installed and the place was operated as what Johann described as a "call flat".

The woman who furnished her name as Wilson paid \$15.00 rent in advance, same covering a two-week period and at the end of that period she said she and her companions were going back to Michigan as business was poor. It was stated that these women had their own furniture but Johann was unable to supply information as to the moving company which took their furniture away.

Johann permitted Agents to inspect the apartment in question but it was found that the premises were entirely bare, with the exception of several Chicago newspapers, the latest of which was dated November 4th, 1934. There were two telephones located in the apartment, one of which bore the number ATLantic 3760, while the second was unnumbered. As both telephones were dead, the number of the second 'phone could not be secured. A bill from the Peoples' Gas, Light & Coke Company, Chicago, Illinois, dated December 20th, 1934 and covering a meter reading as of December 12th, 1934, was found under the door of this apartment, this bill being made out in the name of George Rosenthal, Second Floor, 4823 Cottage Grove Avenue.

Johann was asked for descriptions of the three women who had been at this apartment, but he was unable to supply any data other than that they appeared to be around thirty years of age, were blondes, and dressed very nicely.

With respect to Albert H. Luers, Apartment 1, 810 Eastwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, whose telephone LONGbeach 0513 was called frequently from the room of John Bercia at the Hotel Commonwealth, Special Agents T. M. McDade and S. K. McKee made inquiry of Mrs. Gus Olson, 4636 Clarendon Avenue, telephone EDgewater 2960, who, along with her husband, has charge of the apartment building at 810 Eastwood Avenue. The Olsons have been in charge of this apartment building for the past eleven years. Mrs. Olson informed that Albert H. Luers has occupied Apartment 1 for the past two years, along with his wife and an eighteen-year old son. Luers is around forty-five years of age and he is connected with some union organization. Mrs. Olson thought the union in question was the Truck Drivers' Union but she was not positive of this. The son is attending college some place in the State of Iowa.

Mrs. Olson was unable to furnish any other information concerning the Luers family, aside from the fact that they do not have many visitors and that Mr. Luers has been seen from time to time driving a Ford automobile. She referred Agents to Mrs. Hilma Seagren, owner of the apartment building in question, for further information. Mrs. Seagren's address was furnished as 5312 Winthrop Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Mrs. H. Seagren, 5312 Winthrop Avenue, upon being interviewed stated that Albert H. Luers has occupied Apartment 1 at 810 Eastwood Avenue for about four years. The original rental application was taken by Mrs. Seagren's father, who is now dead, and Mrs. Seagren did not know where it was located. She advised that Luers pays a monthly rental of \$70.00, always makes prompt payment and pays same in cash. She knew nothing concerning his business affiliations, aside from the fact that he is connected with some union. Mrs. Seagren also informed that Luers drives an automobile.

Telephonic communication was had with Special Agent in Charge R. E. Vetterli of the St. Louis Office and a request was made that information be secured through the office of the Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, concerning any automobile listed to Albert H. Luers, 810 Eastwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Vetterli called back later and informed that a search of the alphabetical automobile registration records failed to reflect an automobile under the name of Albert H. Luers or any similar spelling. In view of this it is thought that the automobile which Luers is driving is possibly listed to the union by which he is employed.

A surveillance was maintained at the Commonwealth Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, from and including December 20 through December 22, 1934, by Special Agents K. R. McIntire, L. V. Boardman, J. C. White, and J. L. Madala. At this time a tap was maintained on Room 727 of the Commonwealth Hotel, which room was occupied by John Borgia and a woman known as Elisia. It was understood that John Borgia had contacts with the members of the Karpis-Barker gang, and that Slim Gray had also visited Borgia at the Commonwealth Hotel on several occasions. In addition to the maintenance of the plant, Agents were stationed in the lobby of the Commonwealth Hotel in the hope of apprehending Slim Gray in the event that he made his appearance. On Saturday morning, December 22, 1934, at approximately 1:15 A.M., Special Agents McIntire and Boardman were posted in the inner lobby of the Commonwealth Hotel, Agent McIntire assuming a position where all persons visiting the desk could be observed. At this time Agent McIntire observed Elisia make several trips to a place where the pay station telephone is located. It was believed that she was making calls from the pay station since she had not previously been observed doing this or frequenting the lobby at such an hour of the night. Agent McIntire deemed it advisable to take a position in the main lobby for observation. At this time Agent McIntire observed Elisia and another woman standing in front of the main desk of the hotel. They were talking to the night clerk, who works from approximately 12:00 o'clock midnight until 8:00 o'clock the following morning. The name of this clerk has not yet been ascertained, nor has he been interviewed since all inquiries were decided to be undesirable at the time these observations were being made. His name and complete physical description and other data will be furnished at a later date.

The two women had been talking to the night clerk for perhaps one to five minutes before Agent McIntire heard their conversation. The conversation on the part of the night clerk was as follows:

"Sure, the Federal Agents are here. They have your phone tapped. Everything that goes over the phone in Room 727 is tapped and the "G" men know all about it. They have inquired about all of the blondes and the friends of John Borgia, and they know all the blondes. They know what kind of a car you and John Borgia are driving. They know where it is parked, and they know when it comes into the garage and they know when it leaves the garage. They know who brings it to the garage and who takes it from the garage. They have been around here looking for a tall slim fellow. They think he is going to come in to see John Borgia.

It's no use for you to make any more calls from Room 727 because the Agents know everything you talk about."

At this point, Agent McIntire notified Agent Boardman of the contents of the above conversation, and Agent McIntire informed that he would call Mr. E. J. Connelley and inform him. Agent Boardman advised that he would remain and listen to any further conversation that was held between the night clerk and the two women. Agent McIntire immediately notified Mr. E. J. Connelley by telephone from a point other than the Commonwealth Hotel, at which time Mr. Connelley advised that the surveillance should be continued and that no action should be taken with regard to the night clerk who had divulged the information.

This surveillance was maintained until approximately 7:00 o'clock P.M. on the night of December 22, 1934 with no further developments.

After Agent McIntire had informed Mr. Connelley of the conversation on the part of the night clerk, he returned to the Hotel whereupon Agent Boardman informed Agent McIntire that he had heard a conversation after Agent McIntire's departure. This information will be incorporated in a memorandum by that Agent.

The night bellboy at the Commonwealth Hotel known as "Pat" heard the conversation between the night clerk and the two women prior to its being heard by Agent McIntire, and will be able to inform as to how the conversation started. Pat advised Agent McIntire that the night clerk was intoxicated at the time he gave this information to the women. It should be stated, however, that Agent McIntire and Agent Boardman both observed the night clerk, and failed to notice indications of intoxication.

The following information was submitted by Special Agent L. V. Boardman, who overheard additional conversation between the night clerk and the two women at the Commonwealth Hotel shortly after Agent McIntire left the lobby to advise Mr. Connelley of the conversation. One of the women to whom the night clerk was speaking went upstairs to room 727. Shortly thereafter she returned with Johnny Borcia. Borcia then had the night clerk repeat practically the same conversation that Special Agent McIntire had overheard the night clerk relate to the two women. The night clerk told Borcia that the "G" men had been there for several days and in fact had been there that morning and were still there watching every movement they made. The night clerk said they were trying to get somebody that he (Borcia) knew. Borcia asked the night clerk why he hadn't told him (Borcia) about this before, and the night clerk said he hadn't had a chance to. The night clerk then went on to say that the

"G" men were always coming over to the hotel desk and asking the operators where room 727 had called and what they had talked about; that the "G" men knew where he kept his car and where the Ford was kept; that the "G" men had also been watching every movement that his girls were making. John Borgia and one of the girls to whom the night clerk had been talking then went over and sat down in the lobby and remained there for a short time, after which John Borgia went out apparently to make some telephone calls. Special Agent Boardman was also advised by Pat, the night bellhop, that the night clerk was intoxicated. However, Special Agent Boardman, upon observation of the night clerk, failed to note that the night clerk was intoxicated.

The following investigation is being reported by Special Agent John L. Madala:

John Borgia, contact of "Slim" Gray, who had been residing in Room 741 of the Commonwealth Hotel since September of 1934, moved from said hotel on the afternoon of December 22, 1934, after a tip-off by the night clerk to the effect that the Government had his telephone tapped. After Borgia's departure the telephone tap which had been in existence since December 19, 1934 was taken out.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Laton, Assistant Manager of the Commonwealth Hotel, Agent J. L. Madala was permitted to search Room 741. A thorough search was made of all the waste matter in the room, and the following messages were found, some having been apparently written by the switchboard operator at the hotel:

December 18, 1934, Miss Miller called, at 12:40 P.M.
Left no message.

December 20, 1934, An unknown party called at 8:30 P.M.
and left message to call Bittersweet
3223.

December 18, 1934, Miss Roundtree called at 1:30 P.M.
left message to call room 727 of
the Commonwealth Hotel.

December 18, 1934, Miss Quinn called at 12:50 P.M.
left no message.

December 18, 1934, Ed called and left a message to call
Delaware 8295.

December 2, 1934, Mildred called at 9:35 P.M. Left
no message.

Concerning the above, it will be remembered that Bittersweet 3223 is the telephone number of Tillie Lonquest, 541 Oakdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, third floor apartment.

Miss Roundtree is apparently Frances Roundtree, who has been residing in room 540 of the Commonwealth Hotel since September, 1934. She is alleged to be a girl friend of John Borgia, and it was learned that Borgia made two telephone calls from her room on December 21, 1934. Miss Roundtree moved from the Commonwealth Hotel on the same day that John Borgia did, and upon leaving the hotel with her baggage, this Agent observed

her step into a 1934 Buick tudor sedan, bearing 1934 Illinois license tags No. 1-267-049. It was ascertained that these tags were issued to Bess Seten, 3223 Franklin Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, on a Buick car. However, information was received from a bellhop at the Commonwealth Hotel which indicates that this woman is in fact Miss Quinn and that she resides at the Lincoln Park Arms Hotel.

With reference to the last message above set out concerning Mildred, investigation discloses that this woman undoubtedly is Mildred Kuhlman, consort of Arthur (Doc) Barker.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Laton, the assistant manager of the commonwealth Hotel, Agent was permitted to search the room previously occupied by Frances Roundtree, on December 22, 1934, and the following articles and messages were found therein.

- 1 - Christmas card signed "Charles Irby"
- 1 - Business card of the Roosevelt-Kedzie Club, 3218 West Roosevelt Road, Chicago, Illinois, with the telephone number Ravenswood 5360 written on the back of same.
- 1 - Match cover of the Club Garnea, 4720 Irving Park Boulevard, 2d floor.
- 1 - Money order receipt #342766, for \$10.00 stamped "Chicago, Diversey Station, December 18, 1934".
- 1 - Telephone message to Miss Roundtree from Mr. Irby to the effect that Mr. Irby called on October 8, 1934, stating that he was leaving for California.
- 1 - 6 page longhand letter signed "Josephine", bearing the return address, "30 Huxley Ave., Hamilton, Ont."

The above mentioned items will be retained in the file at the Chicago Division office for future reference.

It will be noted that it was learned from an examination of the telephone calls from the room of John Borcia at the Commonwealth Hotel, and from the room at the Morrison Hotel occupied by Mildred Kuhlman and Patty Lonquest, that the telephone number Diversey 1111 was often called. This number is listed to Barbara Lonquest, 2242 North Lincoln Parkway, Chicago, Illinois.

Special Agent A. P. Barber, on December 15, 1934, interviewed Louis C. Sudler, of Sudler & Company, 75 East Wacker Drive, rental agents for the apartment at 2242 North Lincoln Parkway, occupied by Barbara Lonquest, who advised that Miss Lonquest rented this apartment early in October of this year, paying the sum of \$300.00 for a period of two months. He stated that shortly after Miss Lonquest moved into this apartment he received several complaints from other tenants of the building, who complained that they were being disturbed by parties living in this apartment. Mr. Sudler advised that he complained to Miss Lonquest, who advised that she was having more night entertainment than she had expected, and that she would move in the near future.

Mr. S. Jensen, janitor of the apartment located at 2242 North Lincoln Parkway, was interviewed, and stated that he had observed a great number of young women entering and leaving the Lonquest apartment during the past two months. He was unable to identify any of the photographs of subjects or suspects in this case as being persons whom he had seen enter or leave the Lonquest apartment. Mr. Jensen was requested by Agent to make inquiry of Miss Lonquest concerning the date of her departure from the apartment, which he did. Miss Lonquest stated that she expected to leave sometime during the week starting December 17, 1934. Mr. Jensen agreed to immediately communicate with the Chicago Division Office should a moving van appear to remove the furniture from this apartment, or if he received any other information indicating the parties were going to move.

On December 18, 1934 Mr. Jensen called Special Agent R. D. Brown and advised that moving vans had arrived at his apartment house to remove the furniture of Miss Lonquest. Special Agents R. C. Suran and R. D. Brown then proceeded to 2242 North Lincoln Parkway, and there observed two large moving vans which were being filled with furniture coming from the Lonquest apartment. When the

vans departed they were followed by these two agents, and it was learned that they proceeded to a three-story stone house at 439 Arlington Place and commenced unloading the furniture into this house. From appearances enough furniture was removed from the Lonquest apartment to furnish at least five rooms.

Special Agents R. D. Brown and J. L. Madala then returned to 2242 North Lincoln Parkway and examined the apartment just vacated by Barbara Lonquest. It was found that the same consisted of two large bedrooms, two baths, two living rooms, a dining room and kitchen. It was found that four telephones were located in this apartment, one having the listing of Diversey 1111. The other phones contained no numbers. Apparently, two of the telephones were used to switch calls from one room to another. On the cover of a Chicago telephone directory were found written in pencil the following telephone numbers, with the following listings:

Diversey 5610, Room 121. - Diversey 5610 is listed to the Fullerton Plaza Hotel, 420 Fullerton Parkway.

Buckingham 8151 - listed to John Hayes Kelly, 5300 Lake Shore Drive, Apartment 3B.

Kedzie 5824 - listed to John Gadeke, 213 South Homan Avenue, Apartment 1.

Nothing else of value was found in the apartment. From all appearances this apartment had been used as a "call flat". Mr. Jensen, the janitor, advised that men occasionally called at this address, where they would stop at the apartment for a very few moments and leave, indicating possibly that narcotics were also being handled.

On December 23, 1934 Special Agents J. J. Metcalfe and D. P. Sullivan obtained a room at 442 Arlington Place, where it was possible to view all persons entering and leaving the address 439 Arlington Place, the new address of Barbara Lonquest.

It will be noted from the section of this report dealing with the investigation at the Morrison Hotel that Mildred Kuhlman and Patty Lonquest frequently called Bittersweet 3223. It was learned that this telephone is listed in the name of Mrs. Tillie C. Lonquest, 641 Oakdale Avenue, Chicago.

On December 15, 1934 Special Agents R. G. Gillespie and M. Chaffetz interviewed the superintendent of the Lakeview Post Office Substation, 3245 Sheffield Avenue, who referred Agents to the carrier who carries mail to this address, Fred Witt. Mr. Witt stated that the building at 641 Oakdale Avenue consists of four apartments, each of which occupies an entire floor; that the persons residing in Apartment 3, Third Floor, go under the name of Lonquest; that this family has been living in this apartment for approximately six months. He was unable to furnish any further information concerning the Lonquest family, but stated that they received very little mail.

Agents then interviewed a party named Peter Leys, who resides in the basement of the apartment at 641 Oakdale Avenue, who is the janitor in charge of the premises. He informed that the party living in the third floor apartment by the name of Lonquest consists of a mother and two daughters, who have been living in the apartment for approximately two years. He stated that one of the daughters is a young lady who has recently graduated from high school and the other daughter, to his knowledge, is employed in a department store in downtown Chicago. He stated that he sees very little of these people, but on one occasion in conversing with the older lady, she told him that she had a third daughter who was recently married and lives in the neighborhood. He advised that he has seen this third daughter and that she drives a large car and visits at 641 Oakdale Avenue occasionally. He stated that these people do not entertain extensively and do not have wild parties.

Mr. Leys advised that the apartment consists of a living room, a dining room, two bedrooms and a kitchen. He was able to furnish very little information concerning the background of the family but recalled that on one occasion Mrs. Lonquest advised him that she had once lived on a farm somewhere in the West. He described Mrs. Lonquest as being about 5'7" in height, age about 55 or 60, weight 150 pounds, gray hair, light complexion, and of refined appearance. He described the oldest daughter as being about 20 years of age, weight 115 pounds, hair bleached blonde, complexion fair, and of thin build. He described the younger daughter as being 5'6" in height, age about 17 years, weight 130 pounds, hair blonde, build medium and with a fair complexion.

It will be noted that Mildred advised her friends in Toledo, Ohio that she could be located in Chicago any time through the telephone number Bittersweet 3223, address 641 West Oakdale Avenue. Due to this information and due to the fact that Patty Lonquest and Mildred Kuhlman frequently telephoned Bittersweet 3223 while at the Morrison Hotel, it was deemed advisable to place a tap on this phone. Special Agent J. L. Madala found it impossible to obtain a point on West Oakdale Avenue, near the address 641, for the purpose of housing a telephone tap. However, he was successful in obtaining Apartment 507 at 644 York Place, which is located only a short distance from 641 West Oakdale Avenue. A telephone was installed in this apartment, and Agent Madala was able to run the tap into this telephone. Authority was requested of the Division to tap this telephone on December 16, 1934 and the same was granted on the same date. Special Agents Madala and C. B. Winstead remained on this tap on December 16, 1934, and thereafter Special Agent M. Chaffetz remained on this tap, keeping a log of all results of telephone conversations to and from Bittersweet 3223. On January 3, 1935 Special Agent G. C. Woltz was detailed to assist Agent Chaffetz in maintaining this telephone tap.

On December 19, 1934 a room was obtained at 634 West Oakdale Avenue by Special Agents R. C. Suran and T. G. Melvin, where the apartment of Mrs. Tillie Lonquest, 641 West Oakdale, could be viewed.

On December 22, 1934 at about 12:00 noon, Special Agent Suran, while maintaining this surveillance, observed Mildred Kuhlman approach the entrance of the apartment house at 641 Oakdale. She was walking at the time she was observed, and her arms were filled with packages. Before entering this address she stepped to the edge of the sidewalk and glanced upward toward the third floor apartment, and then glanced up and down the street immediately before entering. Agent Suran observed her go to one of the mailboxes located inside the doorway of this apartment house, where she apparently rang the bell to the Lonquest apartment.

After Mildred had glanced up the street Agent changed his point of observation and saw a 1934 model black Ford Sedan slowly coming down the street towards 641 West Oakdale Avenue. The car was

not exceeding a speed of five miles per hour. It drove up in front of 641 West Oakdale and stopped. The motor was left running. Agent Suran observed that two men occupied the front seat of this car. However, the license number and the individuals occupying the car could not be closely observed from the point where Agent was making his observation. Agent Suran then left the room he was occupying and crossed the street to the rear of this automobile, passing within approximately twenty-five feet of it. The driver of the car was partially observed. It was noted that he was a slender-faced individual, wearing rimless glasses, a dark hat and dark overcoat. Agent Suran is of the opinion that he had a small dark mustache. This man, in the opinion of Agent Suran, strongly resembled Alvin Karpis. The other individual seated beside the driver could not be closely observed, but he was either much shorter than the driver of the car or had slipped down in the seat in a slouchy position. He also was dressed in dark clothing. The license number of the car was observed to be 1934 Illinois license #1-266-231.

Agent Suran, after having observed this car, proceeded immediately to the corner drug store, located about one-half block from 641 Oakdale Avenue, where he communicated with Special Agent S. K. McKee, who was at that time present at the office located at 59 South LaSalle Street.

Immediately after communicating with Agent McKee by telephone, advising him of his observations, Special Agent Suran returned to the vicinity of 641 Oakdale Avenue and observed that this car had departed. Mildred Kuhlman was not seen to leave the apartment building subsequent to this time, and it was concluded that she probably left with the two individuals who appeared in this Ford Sedan. This car did not reappear at 641 West Oakdale Avenue.

Special Agent S. K. McKee telephonically learned from the St. Louis Division Office that 1934 Illinois license plates #1-266-231 were issued to J. B. Bolton, Harrison Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, on September 29, 1934 for a Ford, body style not known; that this car was purchased from the Vrba Motor Company, Cicero, Illinois, title being given on September 29, 1934. It will be noted that the Ford V-8, five-passenger coupe purchased by Russell Gibson, bearing 1934 Illinois

license plates #1-289-927, was also purchased from the Vrba Motor Company. Due to the information obtained by Special Agent S. K. McKee to the effect that it appeared probable that the officials of the Vrba Motor Company are not trustworthy, no inquiry was made to determine who purchased this car.

On December 30, 1934 the surveillance of 641 Oakdale Avenue was discontinued due to the fact that information had been obtained through the telephone tap on the telephone of Mrs. Tillie Lonquest that Mrs. Lonquest and Barbara Lonquest had left Chicago to spend approximately ten days with relatives at Leona, Kansas. Regarding investigation at Leona, Kansas, reference is made to letter from the Kansas City Office dated December 27, 1934.

It was learned from the telephone tap on telephone number Bittersweet 3223 that there are two telephones located at Barbara Lonquest's new residence at 439 Arlington Place, these telephone numbers being Diversey 1111 and Diversey 9269.

On December 24, 1934 Special Agent J. L. Madala interviewed Dr. William R. Gubbins at the University Club, Chicago, Illinois, relative to the use of his home, located at 425 Arlington Place, for surveillance purposes. Agent discussed with Dr. Gubbins the importance for such a surveillance and he readily offered the Chicago Division Office the liberty of his home for an indefinite period of time. His home is located five doors east of the address 439 Arlington Place on the same side of the street. Previous efforts had been made to obtain a room in a rooming house located at 431 Arlington Place, but after interviewing the landlady it was deemed inadvisable to place any confidence in her, she appearing untrustworthy.

Upon Division authority Special Agent Madala installed a telephone tap on December 25, 1934 on telephone number Diversey 1111, which is the unlisted telephone number issued to Barbara Lonquest, 439 Arlington Place. On December 26, 1934 a tap was placed on telephone number Diversey 9269, which is also listed under the name of Barbara Lonquest. Division authorization was obtained to tap Diversey 9269 on December 26, 1934 and the tap was run into the same room which is being used for the telephone tap on Diversey 1111 at 425 Arlington Place, both telephone taps being covered at the same time. These telephone taps are being maintained by Special Agents F. G. Tillman and T. M. McDade.

On the evening of December 21, 1934 Patty Lonquest made a telephone call to a girl whose identity is not known from telephone number Bittersweet 3223 and during the conversation this unknown girl asked where "Mildred" was staying. Patty replied, "At the Surf".

On December 22, 1934 Special Agents R. D. Brown and J. L. Madala conducted an investigation at the Surf Apartments, 420 Surf Street, The Surf Shore Apartments, 426 Surf Street, the Sheridan Surf Apartments, 425 Surf Street, and the Surf Hotel, located on the corner of Surf Street and Pine Grove Avenue. However, investigation failed to locate Mildred Kuhlman under that name or her known aliases. All the persons interviewed stated that they have no tenants who had recently obtained accommodations wearing a fur coat similar to that being worn by Mildred Kuhlman.

It will be noted from a check of the telephone calls made from the room of John Borcia at the Commonwealth Hotel that he called a Grace Lovelace, Surf Apartments, 420 Surf Street, Chicago, Illinois.

On December 22, 1934 Special Agent S. K. McKee interviewed G. L. Driever of the Cochran and McCluar Company, realtors, 40 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, who have the management of this apartment house. Mr. Driever advised that Mr. Neil Constant is manager of this building, and that he could be relied upon.

Manager Neil Constant was interviewed by Special Agents Brown and Madala while making inquiries towards the location of Mildred Kuhlman at the Surf Apartments, and Mr. Constant advised that a Grace and Maude Lovelace have been living in his building since September 17, 1932; that they have always conducted themselves properly and are waitresses at Ricketts Restaurant. Photographs of the suspects and subjects in this case were discreetly shown to the managers of the Surf Apartments, Surf Shore Apartments, Sheridan Surf Apartments and the Surf Shore Hotel. None could identify any of them.

From the Illinois Bell Telephone Company a list of the long distance telephone calls made from Bittersweet 3223 and Diversey 9269 for the past two months was obtained. Calls from Diversey 9269 were as follows:

November 21, 1934 - Call to Cincinnati, Ohio; Main 6600, John Barnes, Gibson Hotel.

November 24, 1934 - Telegram to Abingdon, Illinois, signed "Sis".

December 15, 1934 - Call to St. Louis, Missouri, telephone number Cabenny 4465R to party named "Floun" at 6236 Enright Avenue. (The St. Louis Division Office was requested to check the person to whom this telephone is listed at St. Louis, and the details concerning same are reported in the report of Special Agent J. A. Smith, Jr., St. Louis, Mo., dated 12/26/34).

September 25, 1934 - Call to Deerfield 70R.

October 11, 1934 - Telegram to Pittsburgh signed "Sis".

Long distance calls from Bittersweet 3223 were as follows:

October 15, 1934 and October 22, 1934 - to Western Springs 856. This telephone is listed to Dr. L. W. Rowell, 4506 Wolf Road. Dr. Rowell is listed in the Chicago classified directory as being a physician with offices at this address.

No long distance calls were made during the period covered from Diversey 1111.

On December 26, 1934 a cover was placed on all mail received by persons residing at Apartment 3, 541 West Oakdale Avenue, and persons residing at 459 Arlington Place, with the Chicago Post Office. These two addresses are covered from the post office substitution at 913 Montana Street. Results of these mail covers have been unproductive of any information of value to date.

As a result of the surveillance of 439 Arlington Place Special Agents J. J. Metcalfe and C. B. Winstead have noted that John Borcia frequents this address, often spending the night there. However, after leaving the Commonwealth Hotel John Borcia took up his residence at the home of his mother, 958 North Hamilton Avenue, Chicago. He has been seen entering and leaving the address 439 Arlington Place frequently in the company of Patricia Lonquest. Borcia drives a 1934 model maroon-colored Oldsmobile Sedan, bearing 1934 Illinois license #594680. This car is frequently used by Patty Lonquest. From December 24, 1934 to January 2, 1935 Agents Metcalfe and Winstead noticed Mildred Kuhlman entering and leaving 439 Arlington Place quite frequently.

As a result of the telephone taps on telephones Diversey 1111 and Diversey 9269 it has been learned that 439 Arlington Place is a "call house". At least five girls take calls from this house, and there appear to be two or three other girls who live outside the house who are also on call from this address. Barbara Lonquest appears to be the matron of this house and in her absence Patty Lonquest, her sister, appears to be in charge. The girls who operate out of this house appear to have an exceptionally high grade of clientele, and it has been noted on three different occasions, from the information obtained from the telephone taps, that Mildred Kuhlman has accepted calls. It appears that the reason for her accepting calls has been due to the fact, as disclosed from telephone conversations over these two taps, that "Doc" Barker has been out of the city, and also due to the fact that she may be anxious to make some money in order to attempt to defray losses which she has suffered as a result of her becoming intoxicated recently, at which time she lost a considerable sum.

Barbara Lonquest drives a 1934 model Pontiac Sedan bearing 1934 Illinois license plates #652629. Another automobile frequently used by John Borcia is a 1934 model Buick Sedan, black in color, owned by Bess Seton, Lincoln Park Arms Hotel, which car bears 1934 Illinois license tags #1-267-049.

On December 27, 1934 Special Agents F. G. Tillman and D. P. Sullivan followed Mildred Kuhlman from 439 Arlington Place to 432 Surf Street, at which premises are located the Surf Lane Apartments. On December 28, 1934 Special Agents R. D. Brown and J. L. Madala proceeded to the Surf Lane Apartments, and on the mail

box of Apartment G-1 found the name "A. R. Esser". It will be noted that Mildred Kuhlman used the name of Esser when she registered at the Morrison Hotel. It should also be noted that the initials of "Doc" Barker are "A. R."

After making inquiries of the apartment manager at the Surf Shore Apartments and the manager of the Surf Hotel, both of whom were thought to be reliable, and who advised that Mr. Hunter of the Surf Lane Hotel was thought by them to be reliable, Mr. Thomas W. Hunter, the manager, was interviewed.

Mr. Hunter advised that a Mrs. A. R. Esser called at his office on December 15, 1934 and rented apartment #G-1 for one month, paying him with three \$20.00 bills for one month's rent. He described Mrs. Esser in such a way that Agents were satisfied that she is in fact Mildred Kuhlman. Mr. Hunter advised that he would cooperate with the Division in any way possible. He then rented Agents an apartment, Apartment #309, from which point persons entering and leaving the entrance to the group of apartments which occupants of Apartment G-1 must use, could be watched. Upon leaving 432 Surf Street, Agents Brown and Madala noticed Mildred Kuhlman enter the entrance to the building leading to Apartment G-1.

Mr. Hunter further advised that Mildred Kuhlman rented the apartment for herself and husband, and that a man had been staying with her from December 16, 1934 to about December 24, 1934; and since that time she had been staying alone.

On December 28, 1934 Special Agents D. P. Sullivan, A. P. Barber and R. G. Gillespie took up the surveillance from Apartment #309, 432 Surf Street. They noted that Mildred Kuhlman usually left the apartment alone during the early afternoon and would return usual between 7:00 and 9:00 P.M., also alone. On December 31, 1934 Special Agents C. G. Campbell, A. A. Muzzey and C. O. Hurt took up the surveillance at this address.

On January 4, 1935 Special Agents J. L. Madala and R. D. Brown noted a 1934 model Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan, dark blue in color, with yellow wheels, bearing 1934 Illinois license #1-266-231, parked on Surf Street in front of the Surf Lane Apartments. It will be noted that this is the same car seen by Special Agent R. C. Suran at 641 West Oakdale Avenue, which car is registered in the name of Bo

At about 11:45 A.M. two men left the building entrance leading to Apartment G-1 and entered this automobile. Special Agent R. D. Brown left the Surf Lane Apartments and noted that these two men drove this Ford V-8 Sedan to a point about a block west of the Surf Lane Apartments on Surf Street to a small cleaning shop, where one of the men got out of the car with a package of laundry and two men's suits, which he took to this cleaning shop. Just before he entered the cleaning shop, a 1934 model Pontiac Sedan bearing 1935 Illinois license tags #118532, bearing five men, drove up beside the Ford V-8 sedan and had a short conversation with the man who had just left the car, who delivered the clothes to the cleaning shop. Agent Brown was walking on Surf Street very near this car and was unable to examine the persons occupying it or the make of car or license number very closely, due to the fact that the occupants of both automobiles were observing Agent, and it was thought that undue observation by Agent Brown would cause suspicion. Agent is therefore not positive as to the make of the car or certain as to the license number, but it is believed that the license number given is correct.

The Pontiac Sedan then drove east on Surf Street, and after the man occupying the Ford V-8 Sedan had delivered his clothes to the cleaner he returned to the car and also drove east on Surf Street.

Special Agents C. O. Hurt, A. A. Muzzey and W. C. Ryan followed this Ford V-8 Sedan with a Division automobile and observed that it stopped in front of an apartment building at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue.

With reference to the Pontiac Sedan occupied by five men, the occupants of which conversed with one of the occupants of the Ford V-8 Sedan before-mentioned, Agent Brown was able to best observe the driver of this car. He wore a dark overcoat with a dark gray hat, was wearing rimless glasses and had a small black mustache. It is Agent Brown's opinion that the driver of this car resembled Subject Alvin Karpis. None of the other occupants of the car resembled any of the subjects or suspects in this case other than one of the men seated in the rear seat. He resembled somewhat Harry Campbell, although Agent Brown is in no way certain of this, due to the fact that this man was seated at an angle and a full view could not be obtained.

The two persons who left the Surf Lane Apartments and entered the above-described Ford V-8 Sedan, are described as follows:

The Driver -

Height	About 5'8"
Age	About 35 years
Glasses	Was wearing rimless glasses
Clothing	Black derby hat, black overcoat and gray spats.
Weight	About 175 or 185 pounds
Complexion	Ruddy
Face	Unusually full
Had unusually broad shoulders.	

His Companion -

Age	About 38 or 40 years
Height	About 5'6 ¹ / ₂ " or 7"
Weight	About 180 pounds
	Broad shoulders
Complexion	Ruddy
Face	Broad
Clothing	Wore black derby, dark overcoat, dark shoes and light spats.

Neither of these men appeared to resemble any of the subjects or suspects in this case with the possible exception that the man seated beside the driver bore some resemblance to William J. Harrison.

Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley telephonically communicated with the St. Louis Division Office and found that 1935 Illinois plates #118532 were issued to C. W. Clark, 243 Church Street, East Alton, Illinois.

Apartment manager Hunter at the Surf Lane Apartments was again interviewed and advised that the colored maid who takes care of Apartment G-1 advised him that "Mr. Esser" occupied Apartment G-1

with Mrs. Kaser on the night before; that he had returned to Chicago. She also reported that the Murphy bed located in this apartment had been used for the first time since the apartment had been rented. The apartment consists of a bedroom, living room with Murphy bed, dinette, kitchenette and bath.

Special Agents Campbell, Hurt and Muzzey, who have been observing Apartment G-1 since January 3, 1935 to the date of the writing of this report, advise that Ford V-8 Tudor Sedan bearing Illinois license plates #1-266-231 is parked on Surf Street immediately in front or at the side of the Surf Lane Apartments a great deal of the time; that the occupant of the apartment who wears glasses has been seen leaving the apartment on several occasions; that his companion has made his appearance but once. They report that in the late afternoon Mildred Kuhlman generally leaves the apartment by herself and walks east on Surf Street, returning alone in the early evening. She sometimes leaves about 8:00 or 9:00 P.M. and does not return until after midnight. The agents who are assigned to this surveillance have been instructed by Special Agent in Charge Connelley to attempt to follow Mildred Kuhlman from this apartment if she leaves on the evening of January 7, 1935. It is not considered advisable to attempt to follow her in daylight as Agents have observed that she generally looks up and down the street before leaving the apartment house, apparently trying to determine whether or not she is being followed. Mildred Kuhlman has not appeared at 439 Arlington Place since January 2, 1935. She is apparently making daily visits to some other address in the close vicinity.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents S. K. McKee and John L. Madala.

On January 5, 1935, agents McKee and Madala contacted Mr. J. Migdal, Manager of the Pine Beach Apartments, 3912-3928½ Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, in an effort to ascertain the identity of the person or persons residing at that address who might be associated with J. B. Bolton, recipient of 1934 Illinois license tags No. 1-266-231 on a Ford V-8 coach, 1934 model, which car was observed by Special Agent R. C. Suran on December 28, 1934, at 641 Oakdale Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, under suspicious circumstances. This car, bearing the above license plates, was again observed on January 4, 1935, by Special Agents R. D. Brown and W. C. Ryan in the vicinity of the Surf-Lane Apartments, 432 Surf Street, Chicago, Illinois, at which address Mildred Kuhlman, consort of Arthur "Doc" Barker, has been residing since December 15, 1934, under the name of Mrs. A. R. Esser. The above mentioned Ford was followed by Special Agents C. O. Hurt, A. A. Muzzey and W. C. Ryan to 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on the same date.

At the above address agents requested Mr. Migdal to furnish them with a complete list of the tenants now living on the premises, together with information concerning the exact location of each tenant's apartment in the building. This list was prepared with the help of Paul Lenco, janitor, whose cooperation was likewise enlisted in this regard.

When this list was completed, it was observed that a J. B. Bolton resides in Apartment 1 North, 3920 Pine Grove Avenue. With reference to this individual, the janitor, Mr. Lenco, stated that Bolton moved into the building on November 20, 1934; that on his application for rental he gave his address as Fort Worth, Texas, and gave as reference the name, W. W. O'Brien, 75 East Washington Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois. Mr. Lenco advised that when Bolton rented the apartment in question, he was alone but indicated that his wife was coming from Texas in a few days and that she would live there with him. On the following day he requested another bed in the apartment and stated in this connection that he was expecting his mother-in-law to move in with them in a few days.

At this time agents exhibited to Mr. Lenco all photographs of the Barker-Karpis mob, and he positively identified the photograph of Willie Harrison, No. 1829, Hammond, Indiana, as being identical with J. B. Bolton. This photograph was also viewed by Mrs. Lenco, the janitor's wife, and she likewise identified same as being that of J. B. Bolton. In addition, it was noted that the description of Bolton as furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Lenco

is similar to that of Harrison. After the above identification was made, agents strongly impressed on Mr. Migdal, as well as the janitor and his wife the importance of keeping this matter in strict confidence, which they promised to do.

Further information provided by Mr. Lenco concerning Bolton revealed that he has numerous visitors, both male and female, who come to the apartment after dark; further, that he also had observed numerous people enter Bolton's apartment from the rear; that in this connection they would drive their automobiles in the alley, which is located in the rear of the building, and keep them parked there while visiting. He further stated that he distinctly recalls that during the first two weeks that Bolton moved into the apartment, he removed therefrom a large number of empty whiskey bottles, which caused him to believe that Bolton had many visitors drinking there during that period.

Continuing, Mr. Lenco advised that although Mr. Bolton's mother-in-law is supposed to be residing with him in the apartment, he has never seen her. However, there is a woman living with Bolton whom he stated is his wife. Mr. Lenco described the wife as follows:

Age 26; height 5'2"; weight 110 lb.; brown hair; dark complexion; brown eyes; wears dark Mink coat.

Photographs were again exhibited to Mr. and Mrs. Lenco in an effort to learn the identity of the woman living with Bolton, and both selected the photographs of Myrtle Eaton and Alvin Karpis as appearing familiar to them. However, they advised that Myrtle Eaton is not identical with the supposed Mrs. Bolton.

Mr. Lenco further stated that he does not know whether Bolton has any employment or occupation; that he knows very little of his history and activities, and that the few times he has seen him, which were always towards evening, he had very little to say to him.

The above information was telephoned to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley on the afternoon of January 5, 1935. Pursuant to his instructions, agents obtained an apartment located on the second floor, west, at 3916 Pine Grove Avenue, for observation purposes. This apartment is situated approximately fifty feet eatty corner from Bolton's apartment, and from this point a fair view can be had of the 3920 front entrance. This position also presents a good view of the living room windows of the apartment in question but nothing within can be observed during the day.

Special Agent R. C. Suran and the above agents maintained the surveillance on Bolton's apartment on January 5 and 6, 1935, and on the evening of January 5, agents observed a man in the apartment whose features and physical description somewhat resemble those of Willie Harrison. However, in view of the curtains in the apartment which makes it impossible to discern facial characteristics of a person, agents were unable to make any positive identification. There was also observed by agents at this time a woman who answers the description as furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Lenco, previously set out.

The original of the application for rental executed by J. B. Bolton on November 20, 1934, was turned over to agents by Mr. Lenco for comparison with the handwriting of Willie Harrison, which comparison reveals that the handwriting is identical.

With reference to W. W. O'Brien, who was given as a reference by Bolton, it will be stated that he is a prominent criminal lawyer in Chicago, having offices at 75 East Washington Boulevard. Previous information developed by the Chicago Division office in the investigation looking towards the location and apprehension of Willie Harrison discloses that W. W. O'Brien had on numerous occasions played golf with Subject Willie Harrison during the year 1933. This is mentioned to show the apparent connection between Willie Harrison and W. W. O'Brien, which fact further substantiates Mr. and Mrs. Lenco's identification of Willie Harrison as being identical with J. B. Bolton.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

All offices receiving copies of this report will examine same carefully and conduct any investigation suggested therein in their respective districts.

PENDING

1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri
January 25, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 829
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1218
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I.O. #1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1218
et al
Edward George Bremer - Victim
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Supplementing the information transmitted to Special Agent V. M. Peterson of your office by Special Agent in Charge E. E. Conroy of the Little Rock office on January 18, 1935, to which reference was made in your letter to the St. Paul office dated January 18, 1935, please be advised that the following investigation has been conducted by Agents of this office:

Pursuant to Special Agent in Charge Conroy's telephonic request made of this office at 3:20 P.M., January 18, 1935, a surveillance of the General Delivery Section of the Post Office at Kansas City, Missouri, was maintained by Division Agents from approximately 4:00 P.M., January 18, 1935, to 8:30 P.M., January 19, 1935, at which time J. Bates appeared at the General Delivery window and was immediately conducted to the Kansas City Division office where he was questioned at length by Special Agent in Charge E. E. Nathan.

He stated that his true name was Edward J. Regan, 37 years of age, and a resident of St. Paul, Minnesota, at the Piedmont Apartments, 24th and Smith Streets, where he presently lives with his wife. In explanation of his presence in Kansas City and of his calling for mail both at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and in this city, he said that he was on his way back to St. Paul, Minnesota, having purchased a through ticket on the bus from Hot Springs to St. Paul. Some one owed him money in Kansas City which he desired to collect so he registered at the Snyderhof Hotel, room 212, under the name of

A. J. Baxter on January 14, 1935. The use of a fictitious name was for the purpose of not being detected pending his arrival in St. Paul where, according to his own admissions, he was wanted for questioning concerning two bond coupons amounting to \$25.00 each in value which he had deposited for collection at the Capitol Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota, around December 12 or 13, 1934. The serial numbers on these bonds were M14682 and M14683.

Bates claimed that he had been given the same by one George Dickenson at the Budweiser Tavern on Baltimore Avenue in Kansas City some time during last October in part payment for a debt the latter owed him. Dickenson, according to Bates, was a "pay off" man or "sob" man, but he could furnish no further information about Dickenson.

Subsequent to the deposit above mentioned, the bonds were returned marked "stolen bonds" whereupon Bates threw them away. He added that he would not know where to look for them now. Shortly after the above incident occurred, Bates continued, he left St. Paul and went to Little Rock, Arkansas, later back to Kansas City for three or four days around Christmas time and subsequently to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he remained up until about January 13, 1935. While in Hot Springs he called for mail at the General Delivery for about two weeks prior to January 13, 1935, during which time he received a special delivery letter every day from 448 St. Peters Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. It was also during this time, according to Bates' own statement, that he learned that Special Agent Dugan of the St. Paul office had been out to his home there making inquiries about the coupons mentioned above. It will be noted here that in all probability this is the connection with the letter delivered to the home of J. E. Bates, who operates a hotel at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on January 13, 1935, which was subsequently opened by the letter and which contained a sentence approximately as follows: "If you were to come in it would not gain you anything." The above facts were not disclosed by Bates but were communicated to this office by Special Agent in Charge Conroy when he called by telephone at 5:20 P.M., January 13, 1935.

Telephonic communication was had with the St. Paul office and it was ascertained that Agent Dugan and other officials had been investigating Regan inasmuch as the bonds were discovered to be part of the loot obtained during the robbery of the Lincoln National Bank and Trust Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, which occurred on September 17, 1931.

The Chicago office was also advised that J. Bates had been taken into custody and that there was on file at the Post Office, Kansas

City, Missouri, a postcard request signed "J. Bates" and postmarked Chicago, December 14, 1934, and addressed to the Postmaster at Kansas City, Missouri, asking that all mail delivered to General Delivery, Kansas City, Missouri, be forwarded care of Bloom, 4764 North Virginia Avenue, Chicago. It will be noted here that Regan subsequently on January 21, 1935, when interviewed at the Jackson County Jail, Kansas City, Missouri, by Special Agent R. P. Shanahan of this office, denied having sent the above message, stating that he had not been at Chicago for over ten years.

His fingerprints were taken and have already been forwarded to the Division under date of January 19, 1935, it being first definitely determined by comparison of photographs and in particular physical descriptions that Bates was not identical with any of the Subjects in this case. His fingerprint classification as subsequently supplied to this office by the St. Paul office is

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Upon being questioned as to previous arrests, he stated that he had been a pick-pocket practically all of his life and that he had served only one prison sentence that being at the Wisconsin State Penitentiary at Waupun, Wisconsin, where he was sentenced in 1917, having been convicted at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on a charge of larceny from a person. It will be noted here that upon being subsequently interviewed on January 21, 1935, at the Jackson County Jail that Bates stated that he served three years of the above sentence at which time he was pardoned by the then Governor Phillips of Wisconsin, which occurred in the year 1920. Bates revealed no further information concerning his past record, but the records of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, which were examined on January 19, 1935, revealed that Regan, under the name of Ed Healy with numerous aliases, including his true name Edward Regan, bore the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department number 871 and had a record dating back as far as August 18, 1903. Subsequent arrests listed in the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department record reveal no prison sentences and no offenses whatsoever subsequent to 1917. Bates later stated in the Jackson County Jail that the above offense for which he served three years in Waupun, Wisconsin, was the last time he had been in trouble, adding that he had not even been picked up for investigation since that time, but had been engaged in the saloon business at St. Paul, Minnesota, the past fifteen years.

Acting upon the information received from the St. Paul office in the telephone conversation mentioned above, Regan was taken to the Jackson County Jail, Kansas City, Missouri, on January 19, 1935, and there booked on a charge of investigation, where he is presently incarcerated, he being booked on a Government charge. On the same day investigation was made at room 212 Snyderhof Hotel where Regan, who had registered there under the name of A. J. Baxter, had registered on January 14, 1935. A thorough search of all articles in his room was made but nothing having any definite bearing in this case was found.

On January 21, 1935, this office telephonically communicated with the Omaha office where it was learned that the County Prosecutor, Lincoln, Nebraska, was desirous of interviewing Regan and asked that he be held in the Jackson County Jail until further inquiries could be made. On the same day it was learned that the authorities at Grand Island, Nebraska, are now interested in this man, but that no contact has as yet been made by the County Prosecutor from Lincoln, Nebraska. Consequently, at the present time he is still incarcerated in the Jackson County Jail at Kansas City, Missouri.

It will be further noted here that upon being interviewed at the Jackson County Jail on January 21, 1935, by Special Agent R. P. Shanahan of this office, Regan reiterated remarks he had made at the time he was first questioned in the Kansas City Division office on January 19, 1935, and added, upon being shown pictures of the Subjects in this case and upon being interrogated concerning possible contacts of the same, that he had no information to offer other than he had seen Harry Sawyer in St. Paul over two years ago.

Although it appears doubtful at this writing that Regan is involved in the investigation of this case, these facts are being communicated to you at this time for whatever value they may have.

The physical description of Edward Regan as obtained from personal observation at the Kansas City office on January 19, 1935, is as follows:

Age - 37 years
Height - 5 feet 11 1/2 inches
Weight - 157 pounds
Hair - black, streaked with gray
Eyes - brown
Build - slender, slightly stooped
Complexion - sallow
Marital status - married; wife, Josephine, Piedmont

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Apartments, 9th and Smith Streets, St. Paul,
Minnesota.

Fingerprint classification - $\frac{S}{1} \frac{U}{U} \frac{OO}{OO} \frac{9}{9}$

Very truly yours,

E. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Division ✓
St. Paul
Omaha
Little Rock

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 22, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
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Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
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Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Acting Special Agent in Charge E. M. Black, of the Detroit Office, telephoned to advise that the Michigan State Police, at 5:30 A.M. had recovered the Plymouth coach of Dr. Humsicker on the highway six miles south of Monroe, Michigan and fourteen miles north of Toledo, Ohio. The car had been abandoned and the motor was running. From this, it appears that Karpis and Campbell have circled the southern end of Lake Erie, passed Toledo and were on their way to Detroit. This car may have been left as a blind and they possibly have doubled back into Toledo, where they have numerous contacts. I pointed out to Mr. Black that indications were that Dr. Joseph P. Moran was presently located in Detroit and Mr. Black stated that this probably accounts for the third individual who was either seen in the abandoned car or in another car that was near the scene at the time of abandonment. Mr. Black also stated that the State Police and the Detroit Police have all roads leading to Detroit blocked and that Mr. Larson, at Toledo, is covering all contacts there. I instructed Mr. Black to call the Chicago Office and furnish them with this information.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
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Mr. Tamm
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U. S. Department of Justice

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Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Time - 5:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

Mr. Alt telephoned from Jacksonville and stated that Mr. Connelley, who is leaving shortly for Toledo from Philadelphia, asked him, Mr. Alt, to submit the following information to the Division:

Mr. Alt just talked to Mr. Brown in Havana, Cuba relative to the box which Karpis rented at the branch of the National City Bank of New York on September 22, 1934. Karpis rented this box for one year on September 22, 1934 and entered the same on September 24th, this being the only time the box has been entered since its rental. When Karpis entered this box on the 24th, he placed a lot of money therein. Mr. Brown has not received the keys which Mr. Connelley sent to Mr. Hanson at Miami yesterday, which keys are to this box, but when the keys are received, Brown has permission to enter this box and observe the contents thereof. There are two keys to this box, and Karpis had both of them in his possession, which keys are now en route to Hanson at Miami. The bank officials have agreed to plug this box, and as no one can enter the same except Karpis or one in whom he has invested the power of attorney, if and when anyone comes to enter this box, the party will be placed in custody at once.

Mr. Alt further stated that Harry Campbell in November of 1934 at Miami, Florida, purchased a new Ford Sedan from the Ford dealer there. When he purchased this car, he traded in a Ford Coupe which had been wrecked several days before at Bronson, Florida. In this wreck, Campbell killed two people from Jacksonville - a man and his wife who were employees of a bank there. Campbell was exonerated of this for it appears that the bank people were in the wrong. While Campbell was recuperating from minor injuries, he stopped and slept with the Sheriff at Bronson, Florida. The Ford Sedan has been recovered in Miami.

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P. O. Box 515.
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 19, 1935.

Dr. George E. Brown,
620 Tenth Avenue Southwest,
Rochester, Minnesota.

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I. O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,
with aliases, I. O. 1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases,
I. O. 1213; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232;
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -
Victim. KIDNAPING.

Re: St. Paul file No. 7-30.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of
January 14, 1935, furnishing certain information in this
case. I wish to thank you for your cooperation and
interest.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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**RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases;
MYRON BOLTON with aliases;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases;
FRED BARKER with aliases;
KATE BARKER with aliases;
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim**

On January 17, 1934 Edward G. Bremer, President of the Commercial State Bank, St. Paul, Minnesota, was kidnaped between 8:15 and 8:45 A. M., immediately after he had driven his daughter to the Summit School. He was taken to a hide-out located in Bensenville, Illinois where he was held until February 7, 1934, when he was released near Rochester, Minnesota after the payment of \$200,000 in ransom money by Walter McGee, who was named by Bremer as the contact man.

Soon after the release of Bremer, Special Agents of the Division of Investigation, through their investigative efforts, identified two members of the Barker-Karpis gang as participants in this kidnaping. Efforts had been made to locate and apprehend members of this gang and on the evening of January 8, 1935 Russell Gibson, one of the members of the gang, was located in an apartment at 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, which was occupied by his wife, Clara Gibson, Ruth Heidt, wife of Willie Harrison, another member of the gang, and Myron Bolton. Gibson was shot and killed while in the act of firing upon Special Agents, who were endeavoring to take him into custody. The other occupants of the apartment submitted to arrest without resistance.

In another part of the city, on the same date, Arthur R. Barker was located with his paramour, Mildred Kuhlman, and was taken into custody without a struggle. Acting on information that Fred Barker, reputed leader of the Barker-Karpis gang, together with his mother, Kate Barker, was residing in the vicinity of Ocala, Florida, Special Agents of the Division located the house wherein they were residing and, in answer to their demands to surrender, the Agents were fired upon. This precipitated a gun battle which lasted over four hours and resulted in the deaths of Fred Barker and his mother, Kate Barker.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Bremer case

Mr. McMahon telephoned and stated that he had just finished talking with United States Attorney Sullivan at St. Paul with reference to the indictment in the above case; that he had intimated that it was the desire of the Attorney General that the indictment be made public so as to make it possible to prosecute persons who were found to be or have been harboring the individuals named in this indictment who are fugitives.

Mr. Sullivan stated that he would have to confer with the Judge about making the indictment public, and would telephone Mr. McMahon at 10:00 A.M. in the morning.

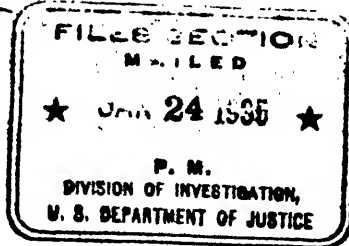
Mr. McMahon stated that he would advise me just as soon as Mr. Sullivan telephones in the morning.

Very truly yours,

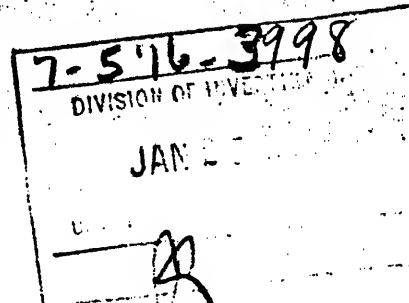
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Connelley telephoned and stated that they had forwarded the guns and money to Jacksonville; that the personal effects were bundled together and had been placed in the Buick car and would be sent to Jacksonville in order that anyone claiming them could do so there. The guns will be shipped to the Division from Jacksonville by express.

Mr. Connelley further advised that Agents Brown, McKee, Jones and Campbell ~~were~~ with the Agents from the Birmingham office at Miami, Florida, working on the angle down there; that he considered it advisable to leave Agents White, Woltz and Winstead at Jacksonville in case something breaks in that vicinity, as Mr. Alt is short of men. Mr. Connelley stated that he believed the Agents from the Charlotte office could go back to headquarters as soon as they had finished writing their reports; as well as the remainder of the Agents, namely Muzzey, McDade, Sullivan, McLaughlin, Madala, and Melvin, who can go back to Chicago.

Mr. Connelley stated that the angle down at Miami did not look any too promising; that there was evidence that they had been there but had now departed and might possibly gone into Cuba; that he would look into the situation down there and report further on it.

I instructed Mr. Connelley to have the agents return to Chicago and Charlotte as soon as possible and he stated that he believed they would probably be able to depart tomorrow evening.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

I called Mr. Fay this evening regarding his desire to hold Mais and Legenza over for another day. Mr. Fay stated that Mais has made a complete confession on the kidnaping and murder of Weiss; that in the confession, he has implicated Wiley, Farrell, and Legenza; that Mais, Wiley, Farrell, and Legenza are actually in on the kidnaping; that they collected the ransom and split it between themselves; that Coffey and Eckert are indirectly involved as well as Mrs. Wilkinson in whose home Weiss was held; that Mrs. Wilkinson and Eckert are in custody in Philadelphia and Wiley is in Eastern Penitentiary.

With reference to the Weiss kidnaping, they collected the money and on the night of November 5, 1934, they took Weiss out with Mais driving the car. Farrell sat along side of him and Legenza and Wiley sat in the rear with Weiss. After they had driven about four or five blocks, Mais heard two shots. He did not know who fired them but in a later conversation learned that Legenza had fired them. They then finally wound some copper wire around the body and attached some heavy weights to it and drove out on the State road. The body was pushed over a high bridge into a creek.

Regarding his desire to hold them for another day, Mr. Fay stated that they are talking to Legenza. Legenza indicated that he wanted to talk and that he talked to Malone of the Philadelphia Police. Mr. Fay stated that Farrell has not broken as yet and that Superintendent of Police LaStrange is of the opinion that if we move Mais and Legenza tonight, all hopes of getting Farrell to crack will be lost; that we would more or less be obstructing justice if we moved them tonight as planned. I stated that what I was opposed to is this, that everything that has happened here in New York has been at once given to the newspapers; that I did not know who was giving the information to the newspapers but they are obstructing justice by giving to the newspapers what Mais and Legenza say. I stated that everything that they said yesterday appeared in this morning's papers, and that we had a call this evening from some of the Philadelphia papers. I stated that at the present time we do not know how many people are involved in this matter and that the interest of justice would be better served if everybody would keep their mouths shut. I stated that we have a very

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definite problem on our hands of getting Mais and Legenza back to Richmond; that it is our job and if anything goes wrong we would be held for it; that the longer we hold them, the more perilous that becomes. I advised Mr. Fay that I was willing to let them stay there if he could get an understanding with LaStrange, Malone, and Sullivan and also Truscott. I stated that I did not understand why Truscott had to be in on the matter at all and Mr. Fay stated that Truscott was going to leave as soon as he talked to them. I stated that it looked like Truscott was furnishing some of this information to the newspaper reporters and that we were not getting very far by having someone run out and whisper to a newspaper reporter every time one of these fellows make a statement. I advised Mr. Fay that we would defer the movement of Mais and Legenza tonight and decide the time of their removal tomorrow.

I instructed Mr. Fay to get in touch with Whitley and have him to go to Philadelphia and take charge there; that the two women are being brought to Philadelphia from Atlantic City; that they are to be held there pending the arrival of Mr. Connelley. I stated that I wanted Mr. Connelley to interrogate these two women and organize the search for the rest of the Barker-Karpis gang. I stated that I wanted Mr. Harvey to stick along with the Philadelphia Police; that there have been some stories out of Philadelphia and in the first one, LaStrange took all of the credit and giving what credit he did give to the New York Police, and never mentioned the Department of Justice People. I told Mr. Fay that they have done a good job and that I did not want the police to get all of the credit.

I instructed Mr. Fay to send to the Division a teletype summary of all developments in the Mais and Legenza case today. Mr. Fay stated that he would transmit a verbatim copy of each statement.

I advised Mr. Fay that I would like to have someone press Mais and Legenza on the Wilson Murder here. I stated that if they have admitted the Weiss Murder they might be perfectly willing to admit the Wilson Murder; that I was more interested in the Wilson Murder than the Weiss Murder from our point of view; that when they are questioned about the Wilson Murder, only our own people should be present; that the Washington Police and Post Office Inspectors did not cooperate with us when this case started six or seven months ago; and that I did not want Truscott to pass word back that we obstructed him in interviewing Mais and Legenza and that he couldn't solve the Wilson case because we wouldn't cooperate.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Bremer case

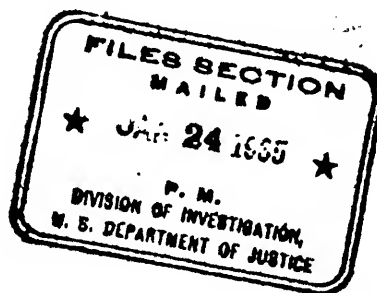
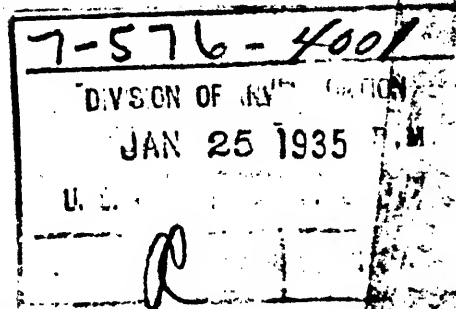
Mr. Victor Watson, Managing Editor of the Chicago Herald and Examiner telephoned from Chicago with reference to the story appearing in the Chicago American to the effect that Byron Bolton had made a confession of his part in the St. Valentine's massacre. I told Mr. Watson that this story is entirely without foundation; that there is absolutely no truth to it.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

In connection with the recent killing of Russell Gibson, while resisting arrest in Chicago, Illinois, on the evening of January 8, 1935, newspapers have carried misleading accounts of this incident, indicating that there existed a lack of cooperation between the representatives of this Division and the local police department. I am now in receipt of information from the Special Agent in charge of the raid which resulted in the death of Gibson.

The Special Agent in charge has advised that, immediately upon becoming aware that a shooting was about to take place, he arranged with the janitor of the apartment wherein the fugitives were located to call the police and, in the event they were already on their way, to meet them at the entrance to the apartment and direct them to where he was located. Shortly after this arrangement was made, the police arrived on the scene. They contacted the Special Agent in charge, and the situation was explained to them. Thereafter, the officers, who appeared friendly and cooperative, remained with the Special Agents of the Division and assisted them in preventing newspaper men and sightseers from entering the apartment, which had previously been raided, until after an opportunity had been had to lift latent fingerprints and various objects and numerous guns had been removed from the apartment. It is also to be noted that, prior to the arrival of the police at the scene of the activities, 3912 Pine Grove Avenue, they had been contacted by a squad of three Agents who were stationed at the corner of the alley leading from the rear of the apartment into Irving Park Boulevard, and that several of the officers remained with this squad of Agents and held themselves in readiness to assist, in the event anyone attempted to flee from the scene of the shooting.

The foregoing is a correct statement of what transpired at Chicago on the evening of January 8, 1935, which, as heretofore stated, was erroneously reported in several of the Chicago, Illinois, newspapers.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
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Time - 11:50 A.M.

January 22, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan.....
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Mr. Larson telephoned from Monroe, Michigan to advise that the car of Dr. Hunsicker was found five miles east of Monroe, Michigan; that it was pointed westward toward Monroe, Michigan with the motor running and from this it appears that the car had been driven from Toledo, Ohio for a distance of about fifteen miles. They are going to interview a mail carrier who resides about five miles from Monroe, Michigan, who is reported to have seen this car about twenty minutes of five o'clock this morning at the time it was abandoned.

Mr. Larson stated that he believed that possibly someone else had been picked up in the same manner as Dr. Hunsicker was picked up yesterday and forced to drive with Karpis and Campbell. He stated that no car had been reported stolen in that vicinity and so far no one appears to be missing. I pointed out to Mr. Larson that also this car may have been sent out as a blind by a third individual from Toledo and that Karpis and Campbell remained in some hide-out in Toledo.

I also suggested to Mr. Larson that, although the papers are carrying the story about the delivery of the baby by Dolores Delaney, Karpis may be sufficiently interested to seek Philadelphia papers.

I instructed Mr. Larson to keep the Chicago office fully advised of all developments, inasmuch as it appeared to be up to the Detroit and Chicago offices to locate and apprehend Karpis and Campbell.

Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. W. GARDNER
GENERAL AGENT AND CHIEF CLERK.

There is transmitted voucher in the amount of \$50.00, in favor of H. A. Strickland, for a round trip in his plane from Jacksonville to Ocala, Florida, and return, together with a voucher in the amount of \$260.00, in favor of Blue Bird Air Transport, Inc., for a chartered plane for travel between Chicago and Kansas City, Missouri.

With regard to the travel in Florida, you are advised that it was performed by Special Agent J. P. Lacour upon instructions from the Division, for the purpose of transporting special firearms and ammunition that were needed during an emergency that arose during the investigation of the Bremer Kidnapping Case in that vicinity. The fastest possible means of transportation was imperative.

The transportation between Chicago and Kansas City was also of an urgent nature for which the use of a chartered plane was requisite. This travel involved both the Bremer Kidnapping Case and the so-called Kansas City Massacre, a case involving an attempted frustration of Federal justice. The plane was needed for the pursuit and transportation of dangerous Federal fugitives, and it was imperative that the Agents have at their disposal a plane which could follow any route that might be necessary under the exigencies of the case.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
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Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935

Time-1:00A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Moore, the night clerk, called me this morning and stated that he had just received a call from Mr. Hanson at Miami advising that they had received some information to the effect that Alvin Karpis and Delores Delaney had been living in a home down there and had left about 5PM on the evening of January 16th, the day of the shooting. They are driving a 1935 two door Buick sedan bearing Florida license plates, D-5306. The motor number is 4949155, the serial number, 2783525. This car was purchased in the name of Leroy Morrison, 444 Main Street, Buffalo, New York.

Mr. Moore stated that Mr. Hanson has been talking to Dr. F. O. Nichols who had been treating Delores Delaney from December 8th. to January 14th. The Doctor reported that she is pregnant and that her baby was due between January 14th. and the 18th. With this in mind, Mr. Hanson is sending two Agents up the east and west coast of Florida and two Agents down the east and west coast towards Key West. Agents Brown, McKee, and Campbell are leaving in the morning for Havana regarding the Havana contacts. The Agents covering the coasts of Florida are going to contacts all hospitals in an effort to locate Delores Delaney.

Mr. Hanson talked to Mr. Connelley and they both agreed that a description of the car should be broadcasted at once all over the country east of the Mississippi River. To this end, I called Mr. Hanson and advised him that we would send a telegram to all Division Offices east of the Mississippi to that effect. Mr. Hanson stated that the Miami and Jacksonville Police have already put a description of the car on the air but are not giving it any publicity.

I instructed Mr. Moore to send a telegram to all Division Offices east of the Mississippi River, the three Texas Offices, St. Paul, St. Louis, New Orleans, Kansas City, and Oklahoma City. A copy of the telegram is attached hereto.

Respectfully

E. A. Tamm.
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January 11, 1935.

Dear Sir:

This incident brought forcibly to my mind a suggestion which I think would not be amiss to be sent to all field offices and that is this; that instead of writing merely a routine letter, as we have been doing in the past, to postmasters to cover mail that we be more explicit in our letters so that this will cover not only the ordinary mail but also Air Mail and Special Delivery letters. We have been convinced through the years to people these mail we are not getting as far as we should in a number of instances we have had to send packages and parcels by Air Mail and Special Delivery letters as opposed to the ordinary letter written on mail tracings does not cover the additional fees I have set forth above. While I do not believe this is necessary in all instances, yet in the case of important subjects who are being followed I believe it would be well to amplify our letters so that all ordinary letters and packages received through the mail will also be covered and tracings submitted to the respective field offices.

I submit this for your consideration and for possible inclusion in a bulletin to respective field offices,

I make this suggestion because the ordinary real hardened criminal whom we seek is conversant with the fact that mail is covered, but possibly on occasions they believe that packages can be received with-

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Very truly yours,

(s) R. E. Vetterli,
Special Agent in Charge.

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New York City, N.Y.
January 15th., 1935.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Department of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION
KEEP ENVELOPE ATTACHED

Dear Sir:-

Please note in enclosed clipping from N.Y. Sun of January 16th., 1935, the section at bottom of first column, dated, Miami, Fla. I am a citizen of that section and know it thoroughly.

There is no question but what the El Comodoro Hotel at Miami is mixed up in this affair and a thorough investigation should be made. This hotel is owned by a man named Knight and he really operates it. He is the real, but unknown boss of the Miami underworld and controls the politics and rackets of that area, but he is always under cover.. The hotel is the headquarters for gamblers, gangsters and crooks of all kinds and many deals are pulled off there. Adams, the so-called manager, is not a hotel man and Carson/Bradford is mixed up in many shady deals.

"Mac", the chief of Police, of Miami, was the former managers of the hotel and Knight got him his present office. He plays with the gang there, as do all the city and county officials.

The Miami area is now and will be for the next two or three months the biggest danger zone in the United States and should be carefully watched. Your department can get no help there locally. Twelve millions were bet at Hialeah Race Track last winter and the betting started off the 17th. at the opening this year with a quarter of a million the first day. Vice and gambling are wide open and the city is filled with the starving and jobless. The pay-off even goes to the Governor of the State, as he put out Hardie, an honest sheriff of Dade County, in October, 1933 and appointed his own man, who does as the Governor orders. This Sheriff all of last winter collected every week and turned in about two thirds to the Governor. The Governor was really put in by middle West gamblers and gangsters and has to make good to them. There is another bad one there, Wm. Dwyer, manager of Tropical Park Race Track and so called owner of Palm Island Club. I think the Government is after him now on income tax returns way back. This Club is managed by Fred Auerbach, who is a crook and a bad actor. The night clubs of the highest class, when they are allowed to gamble, are assessed \$5000. per week and there are hundreds of smaller places assessed from \$15.00 per week up. It might be well for the Treasury Department to check up on Dwyer's income tax returns and those of Gov. Dave Sholtz for 1934. Station a man in El Comodoro Hotel for the winter as a guest and you will learn a lot.

I do not dare to give my name, as I might be taken for a ride, but you will find all of this true and more too. My only hope is that the Federal Government will clean up Miami and that quickly. This includes Miami Beach and Hollywood, although Hollywood is in Broward County.

I am a great admirer of you and your department and shall watch with interest.

Sincerely,

A Miami

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FEDERAL AGENTS KILL TWO OF BREMER GANG

Ma Barker, 'Brains' of Kidnapers, and Son
Mowed Down by Machine Guns in
Six-Hour Battle in Florida Town.

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OKLAWAHA, Fla., Jan. 16.—Fred Barker, long sought for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, wealthy St. Paul banker, and his mother, Ma Barker, were shot to death today by Department of Justice agents after a withering six-hour machine gun battle.

Ma Barker has been mentioned frequently as the brains of the kidnap gang.

Just after the furious battle ended, the Federal agents said that two men and a woman had been killed, but a later check disclosed that only the Barkers were slain. Apparently they were the only occupants of the house.

After six hours of a blazing battle with machine guns the agents resorted to tear gas. The two immediately made a break from the barricaded house and were promptly mowed down by the withering fire of the Federal men.

The agents suffered no casualties.

The beautiful resort home, belonging to Carson Bradford, president of the Hiscayne Kannel Club at Miami, who had rented it two months ago to a man who gave his name as T. C. Blackburn, was shot full of holes.

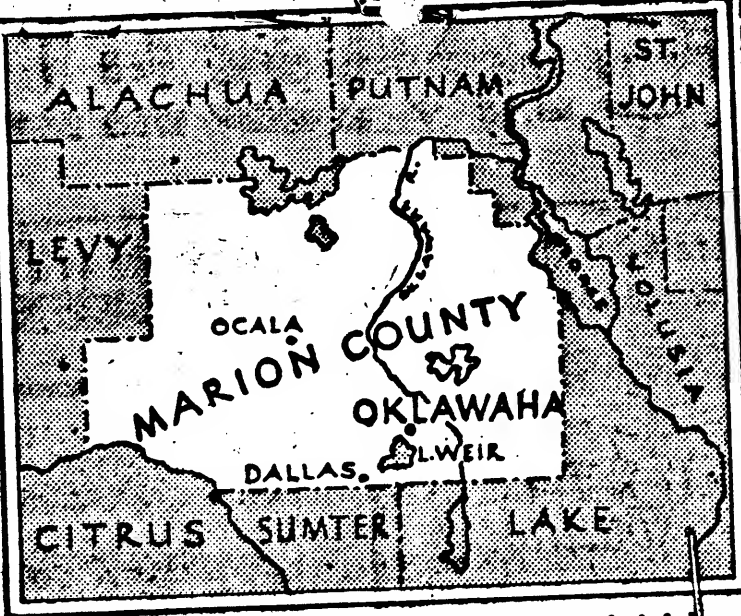
Blackburn Gang Members

To queries, an agent replied that the outlaws were members of the Blackburn gang sought in connection with the Bremer kidnaping.

About 6:45 o'clock this morning the agents, fifteen of them, led by E. J. Connelley of Cincinnati, surrounded the fine home on the bank of Lake Weir and ordered the occupants to surrender.

There was a blaze of fire from a machine gun in answer. The agents retired and set up their own

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Oklawaha, scene of the gun fight, is in the citrus fruit belt.

U. S. AGENTS KILL BREMER GANGSTERS

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machine guns and retaliated. A blazing battle ensued and continued, except for occasional lulls, until 11 o'clock when the agents resorted to tear gas in an effort to smoke out their quarry.

A Negro cook employed in the house was sent inside by the agents. In a moment he returned with the news:

"They are all dead."

Inquest Is Called.

Immediately a coroner's inquest was called and the agents kept out all except eye-witnesses.

The dead woman was about 60 years old and the man between 30 and 35.

Mrs. H. E. Westberry, who has a cottage across the street from that occupied by the gangsters, told a graphic story of narrowly escaping death in the exchange of machine gun fire.

Her home was directly in the line of fire from where the bandits had set up a machine gun. A number of bullets tore through her home and she was forced to seclude herself in the bathroom to escape being shot.

As the battle waxed more furious she decided to make a break for safety. She dashed out of the back door and heard what she believed to be a command from a Department of Justice agent to halt. She kept going.

Several shots fanned her head, she declared, as she kept putting distance between herself and the battle.

The agents said they had fired 1,500 rounds of ammunition into the house, which was riddled.

The place had been occupied about two months by the people known as the Blackburns. Neighbors said that they knew little of them, except that they had a great deal of company, mostly late at night.

Only last Sunday a couple, known to neighbors as Mr. and Mrs. Summers, left for the North, where they were understood to live. The Summers had been visitors at the house for several weeks.

Many fine summer homes surround beautiful Lake Weir, the scene of the fight.

Village Gets Big Thrill.

This ordinarily quiet little resort village, almost on the edge of the Ocala National Forest, experienced its greatest excitement. More than two hundred cars were parked about the beautiful lake, a number of summer residents keeping to their cottages during the winter.

As the battle blazed away many fled to safe distances. The sound of machine gun, shotgun and tear gas gun fire echoed through the trees.

News of the ambushes traveled rapidly and several hundred persons, more curious than cautious, flocked to the village. Newspaper men and camera men from the surrounding cities sped to the scene to tell the story to the outside world.

Oklawaha is an isolated spot with only one telephone, and soon a line was formed to that by those anxious to get word out.

"I can hear it plainly," the woman operator of the village's hotel told the Associated Press. In reporting the first account of the battle: "It has been going on since about 7 o'clock this morning, and it looks like somebody is going to get hurt sure. It is a real battle."

Oklawaha is a small citrus village on one of the main North-South highways through Florida and is about 100 miles southwest of Jacksonville. It is situated in the southern part of Marion county, which is near the center of the State. It is about twenty miles southeast of Ocala, the county seat.

There are only a few scattered houses and stores in Oklawaha, and winter visitors to Florida often pass the village without knowing it is there.

Rented to a Blackburn.

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 18 (A. P.).

The winter home of Carson Bradford on Lake Weir was rented two months ago by a man who gave his name as T. C. Blackburn. Joe Adams, associate of Mr. Bradford here, said today.

Mr. Adams is general manager of the Biscayne Kennel Club at Miami Beach, of which Mr. Bradford is president. Mr. Adams also is manager of El Comodoro Hotel here.

Mr. Bradford said that he had never seen the tenants of the house, saying that the rental transaction was made about two months ago by Mr. Adams.

Mr. Adams said that a man and a woman registered at El Comodoro Hotel and said that they were interested in renting Mr. Bradford's home on Lake Weir. Mr.

Adams said that the man told him the woman was his mother.

Rental prices were talked over, Mr. Adams said, and the couple left the hotel saying that they wanted to look over the house again. Shortly afterward, Mr. Adams said, they rented the house.

Mr. Adams said that the man appeared to be about 40 years old and the woman about 60. He said that the woman appeared to be "a nice old lady" and that he had sent flowers up to her room. He seldom saw the man while he was here, Mr. Adams said.

Washington Announcement.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 (A. P.).

The Department of Justice identified those killed today by Federal agents in a machine gun battle at Oklawaha, Fla., as the outlaw, Fred Barker, and his mother known as Ma.

Both were wanted for the abduction of Edward G. Bremer, St. Paul banker, a year ago tomorrow. The reports to the department from the battleground said that the two Barkers were the only ones who took part in the encounter with the Federal agents.

None of the fifteen Federal agents who surrounded the house in Oklawaha was killed or injured.

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When Ma Barker fell, the department said, she was holding a machine gun in her hand and part of the drum of cartridges had been exhausted.

Mr. Bremer was kidnaped on January 17, 1934. Taken from St. Paul, he was released on February 7, near Rochester, Minn., after the payment of \$200,000 ransom.

Barker and Karpis Named.

At that time the Department of Justice named Arthur (Doc) Barker and Alvin Karpis as those responsible for the kidnaping. The Barker-Karpis gang has been described as the last of the free-running mobs to be at large in the United States.

Department of Justice guns have practically obliterated the Dillinger and Pretty Boy Floyd gangs.

Ma Barker has been mentioned as the brains of the group, and was said to have directed their activities in a number of bank robberies throughout the Middle West.

The Barkers' home is in Oklahoma.

Machine guns, sawed off shotguns, revolvers and tear gas bombs were brought into play.

Hamm Link Sought.

Although named principally as the abductors of Mr. Bremer, Department of Justice officers let it be known that inquiries would be made to determine whether the gang had been responsible for the kidnaping of William Hamm, also of St. Paul. Ransom of \$100,000 was paid for Mr. Hamm's release.

Members of the notorious Touhey gang of Chicago were arrested, tried and acquitted of this kidnaping.

The announcement regarding today's battle was made after an hour's conference held by Attorney-General Cummings, J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Division of Investigation; Assistant Attorney William Stanley and other officers of the department.

After the announcement the department said that Fred Barker, killed in the battle, was a brother of Arthur Barker. It was understood that Arthur had been a more prominent figure in the activities of the group than had Fred.

The attack on the Florida headquarters of the gang was made after weeks of search throughout the state. Whether any other members of the gang were in the locality was under investigation.

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RECALL

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January 23, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. No. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. No. 1232;
ET AL - Edward George Bremer, VICTIM.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

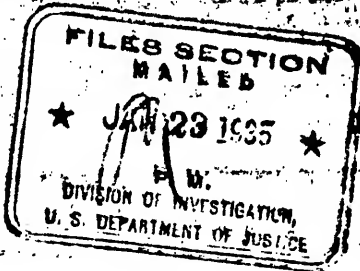
In connection with recent events in your district, there has been received at the Division an anonymous communication dated and postmarked at New York City, January 18, 1935, signed "A Miami Resident", which furnishes information with respect to the El Comodoro Hotel and other interests at Miami, Florida which have been mentioned during the investigation of the above entitled case. A copy of this letter is being furnished to you and to each of the offices indicated below, for information only. The newspaper clippings referred to in this letter are not being transmitted in that they have no bearing on the matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Inclosure No. 839154

cc-Mr. Connelley (with inclosure mentioned above)
cc-St. Paul



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January 12, 1935

APPREHENSION OF RUSSELL GIBSON

During the course of the investigation of the Bremer kidnapping case conducted by this Division, it was definitely established that Russell Gibson was closely associated and allied with members of the Barker-Karpis gang.

As a result of a surveillance maintained over the premises located at 439 Arlington Place, Chicago, Illinois, the residence of Barbara and Patricia Lonquest, during the early part of January, 1935, information was received which led Special Agents of the Chicago Office to maintain a similar surveillance over the premises at 3912 and 3920 Pinegrove Street, Chicago, Illinois. On one occasion a party, who was later identified as Russell Gibson, was observed, but the identification at the time of this observation was not definite. However, it was learned that other of his associates were apparently living at 3920 Pinegrove Street. On the morning of January 8, 1935, Russell Gibson and his wife were seen in an alley behind the latter address, and the surveillance was tightened and additional Agents were placed in the vicinity of both Pinegrove Street addresses, for the purpose of taking the individuals into custody when it was reasonably certain that all persons seen were in the two apartments.

On the evening of January 8, 1935, two men were observed moving articles from 3920 Pinegrove Street, and it was ascertained that one woman remained at that address. Therefore, it was deemed advisable to raid both of these addresses rather than to maintain a further surveillance.

Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley posted sixteen Agents at advantageous positions in the vicinity of the Pinegrove Street addresses, and at about 10:50 P. M. on January 8, 1935, Russell Gibson and his wife Clara returned to their apartment at 3920 Pinegrove Street. Shortly thereafter, a party who was later identified as Byron Bolton, entered the apartment from the rear, and in keeping with previously arranged plans, the apartment house was surrounded, Special Agents Barber and White being posted at the rear exit with a few additional Agents backing them up. Special Agent in Charge Connelley, accompanied by Agents Brown, McKee and McIntire, entered the apartment building from

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the front, where Mr. Connelley, by means of the speaking tube, invited the occupants of the apartment out into the vestibule, identifying himself as an Agent of the Division of Investigation, in the course of his conversation with Clara Gibson.

Shortly thereafter, Clara Gibson and another woman who gave her name as Ruth Haldt, the divorced wife of Willie Harrison, another associate of the Barker-Karpis group, came out of the front door, and immediately thereafter Russell Gibson emerged from the rear door, firing three shots from a Browning automatic rifle at Special Agents Barber and White. The firing was returned, and Gibson was shot down. A subsequent examination revealed that a .351 caliber rifle shot had penetrated a steel vest which he wore and had entered his lung. This exchange of fire took place at 11:15 P. M., and Gibson died at 1:40 A. M., January 9, 1935. Shortly after the firing, Byron Bolton came out of the apartment by the front door, and he and the two women were taken to the Chicago Division Office after arguing about the matter for about eight minutes.

During the course of the raid, three gas shells were fired into a side window of the apartment, and due to the darkness one gas shell struck the window of the next door apartment. However, there was no one injured and there was no shooting into any apartment except that of Russell Gibson.

Immediately after the firing had ceased, arrangements were made with the janitor of the building to meet the police who were expected to arrive, and to advise them to report to Special Agent in Charge Connelley. This was done, and the police who appeared at the scene cooperated fully, remaining until the matter had completely cleared up and the apartment had been thoroughly searched. There was no friction between the local police and the Agents.

During the siege and before it had been definitely determined that all of the occupants had emerged from the apartment, Special Agent in Charge Connelley proceeded into the court yard of the apartment house, identified himself to all the neighboring residents, and warned them to remain inside their apartments and to close their windows and lock their doors.

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A search of the apartment resulted in the recovery of two Browning automatic rifles, in addition to the one used by Gibson. The identifying numbers on all the guns were found to have been removed. There were also recovered two .38 caliber Colt automatic pistols, Nos. 481720 and 304999; one .38 caliber police positive revolver No. 273652; one twenty gauge sawed-off shotgun; and one .351 caliber rifle, with a twenty shot clip, fitted as a machine gun. In addition, there were recovered various ammunition clips, all loaded, and two steel vests.

In two garages in the vicinity of 3920 Pinegrove Street there were located a 1934 Ford V-8 Sedan and a 1934 Ford V-8 Victoria Coupe, carrying license plates which had previously been checked and identified as having been used by Gibson.

There is attached hereto a copy of the criminal record of Russell Gibson.

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The following is the ~~criminal~~ record of RUSSELL GIBSON, as reflected by the files of the Identification Unit, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice:

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Criminal record of RUSSELL GIBSON (continued)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
MR. WILLIAM STANLEY

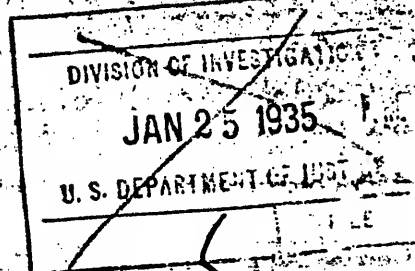
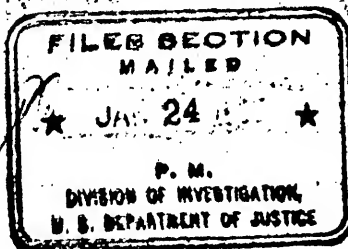
There is attached a copy of a memorandum which I have, this date, furnished the Attorney General, relative to the shooting of Russell Gibson at Chicago, Illinois, on January 8, 1935, while he was resisting arrest.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

There is attached hereto a memorandum dated January 12, 1935 relative to the killing of Russell Gibson, while resisting arrest by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation at Chicago, Illinois on the evening of January 8, 1935.

As a result of the raid conducted on the premises occupied by Gibson, his wife Clara Gibson, Ruth Heidt, the ex-wife of Willie Harrison, another member of the Barker-Karpis gang, and Byron Bolton were taken into custody.

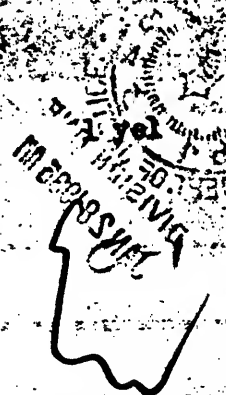
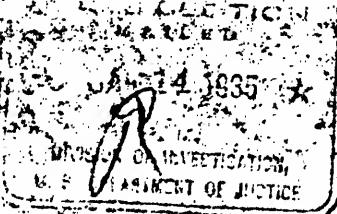
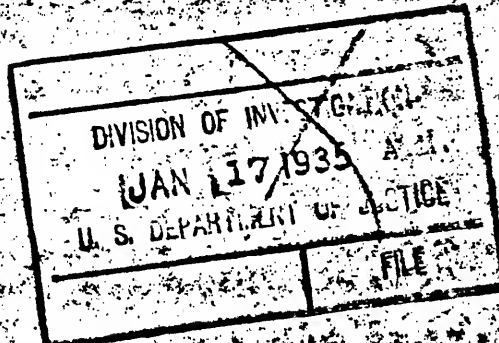
Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Mr. Clegg
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Coffey
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- Mr. Tolson.....
- Mr. Clegg.....
- Mr. Baughman.....
- Chief Clerk.....
- Mr. Coffey.....
- Mr. Edwards.....
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- Mr. Tracy.....

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 23, 1935.

EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 4:20 PM

Re: Bremer case.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schuler.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

While talking to Mr. Nathan at St. Paul, I inquired if the U.S. Attorney had changed his opinion in regard to the indictments. Mr. Nathan stated that he had been over to see him today and that he had not changed his attitude.

I advised Mr. Nathan ^{that} Mr. McMahon had been in touch with the U.S. Attorney regarding the matter of keeping the indictment secret and that the U.S. Attorney was going to present the indictment to the Judge tomorrow morning in order to obtain the viewpoint of the Judge on the matter of releasing the fact that the indictment has been returned and that Mr. McMahon would advise the Division of the results in the morning. I advised Mr. Nathan that it was your wish that he be informed of this.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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January 23, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

I desire to inform you that the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota, on the evening of January 22, 1935, returned two indictments in connection with the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer at St. Paul, Minnesota, January 17, 1934.

The first indictment charges the substantive offense of kidnaping, and names the following individuals as defendants:

Alvin Karpis
Arthur R. Barker
Volney Davis
Harry Campbell
Elmer Farmer
Harold Alderton
William Weaver
Harry Sawyer
William J. Harrison
Byron Bolton
John Doe
Richard Roe

The second indictment charges the above named individuals and the following individuals with conspiracy to kidnap:

Oliver A. Berg
Joseph Patrick Moran
John Joseph McLaughlin
William Edward Vidley
Philip J. Delaney
James J. Wilson
Jess Doyle
Edna Murray
Myrtle Eaton

"Whitie", true name unknown

Included in the conspiracy indictment is a statement to the effect that the defendants conspired with the following deceased persons,

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
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Mr. Keith
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namely, one Kate Barker alias "Ma" Barker, one Fred Barker, one Russell Gibson and one George Zeigler, all four of whom were living during the period alleged in the indictment.

The indictments returned are considered secret indictments by the United States Attorney, who states that it is contrary to the policy of his office to make any announcement concerning an indictment in which any of the persons named are fugitives. As a result of this policy, no publicity has been given to the return of these indictments.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

REN:MC

January 23, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
MR. WILLIAM STANLEY

There is attached a copy of a memorandum which I have today furnished the Attorney General, relative to the return of two indictments at St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 22, 1935, arising out of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer at that city on January 17, 1934.

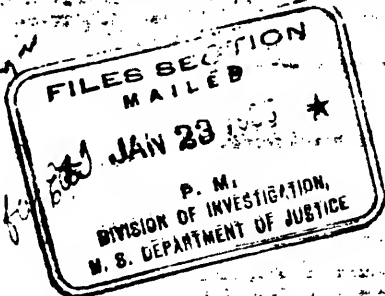
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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

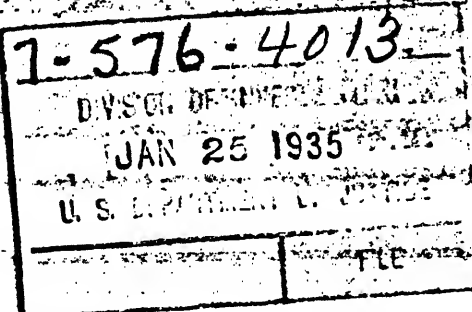
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Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
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Mr. Coffey.....
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Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....



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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 24, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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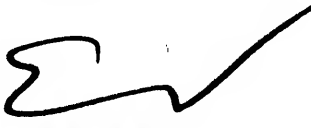
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Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Hanson called in connection with the Bremer case. He stated he had just received a report from one of the Jacksonville Agents working there that the Sheriff at Everglades telephoned advising that three men had landed in an airplane there, and that they were heavily armed and had concealed the plane and driven off in a Buick automobile. Hanson stated he is taking four men and is going over there right away. He stated the Agent who talked with the Sheriff had requested that the Sheriff keep the airplane under surveillance and arrest anyone who came near it.

Mr. Hanson further advised that Duke Randall has now given a complete statement, admitting everything, and that they have plenty of evidence to hold him. Hanson stated he had intended to file a complaint against him today, and also to get a complaint against Adams and pick him up. Hanson stated that Randall has stated he did not know who the subjects were until the shooting at Ocala; that he read about it in the papers and had previously read about the Bremer case in the papers, and realized that Barker was wanted for that kidnaping and Karpis also.

Hanson stated he talked with Brown at Havana, Cuba this morning; that Brown had not yet received the keys, and they had checked at the post office, receiving advice there that they were sent out by plane this morning; that he has wired Brown giving information concerning the post office records, and is sure he has them by this time. Hanson stated Brown had no further information of value at the time of his call.

Respectfully,


 E. A. Tamm.

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DIRECTOR

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 22, 1935

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Time - 6:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: ^o Bremer case

I telephoned Mr. Nathan at St. Paul and inquired why a secret indictment was returned in the above case. Mr. Nathan stated that he was under the impression that this procedure was the wish of the Division; that, however, he believes that the press there is aware of the fact that an indictment has been returned, and it will probably be in the morning papers; that he will arrange to have it published just to make sure.

I told him of your desire that warrants be issued at once for Karpis and Campbell with non est returns thereon so that if there are any harboring activities, we can be in a position to prosecute and at the same time be within the letter of the law.

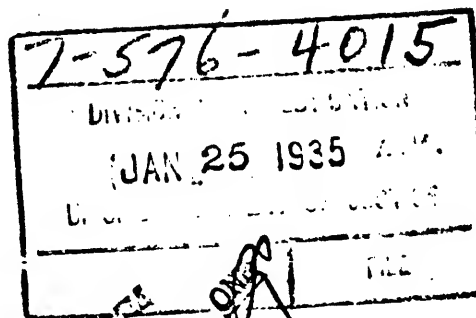
Mr. Nathan assured me that he would see that this is done at once.

Respectfully,



E. A. TAMM

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Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 2:10 PM

Re: Bremer case.

Mr. Baughman
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. S. [unclear]
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Mr. Rider telephoned from Pittsburgh and advised that they had located the brother of Winona Burdette in Erie, Pennsylvania, and have positively had him identified as such. I instructed Mr. Rider to have this man interviewed.

Mr. Rider further advised that a man and a woman had registered at the William Penn Hotel under circumstances which might prove the man to be Alvin Karpis. This couple arrived in an old car, of about \$50 value, registered at the hotel, made arrangements to store the car for two weeks, and then bought two tickets for Los Angeles on an airplane. Mr. Rider stated that the couple appeared to have several thousand dollars with them; that he had checked up the money which the man had paid for the airplane tickets but it was not listed as ransom money; that the couple were preparing to depart for Los Angeles at 5:00 PM this evening. I instructed Mr. Rider to look into this carefully.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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Washington, D. C.
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Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Schroeder, of the New York Office, telephoned to advise that Special Agent (A) Genn, had contacted Mr. W. W. Lancaster, Attorney for the National City Bank of New York with reference to the safety deposit box of Alvin Karpis located in the branch of this bank at Havana, Cuba. Mr. Lancaster states that it will be possible to enter this safety deposit box by first contacting him so that he can telephone, at the Division's expense, to Charles Bowser, Vice President of the branch bank at Havana and issue instructions to him to permit an Agent of the Division who has properly identified himself to the American Ambassador at Havana, Cuba, who in turn will introduce the Agent to Mr. Bowser. Mr. Lancaster stated that this procedure would be more desirable than approaching the Manager of the bank, who is a Spaniard. He also requested that after examining the contents of the box, that nothing be taken from it but that the box should again be locked up and legal proceedings initiated to recover the contents.

Pursuant to your instructions, I telephoned Mr. Hanson, at Miami and furnished him with the above information, instructing that the keys to the box be forwarded to Special Agent Brown at Havana, in accordance with the above arrangement.

Respectfully,

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DIRECTOR

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U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 8:12 AM

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Ocala, Florida, and advised him of the apprehension at Atlantic City of the two women, one of whom is believed to be Delores Delaney, and also of the shooting and the subsequent escape of several individuals, believed to be Karpis and several members of his gang, in a LaSalle Sedan. I also advised Mr. Connelley that the 1935 Buick Sedan which these parties had been riding in was recovered.

Mr. Connelley advised that Harry Campbell was also known to have travelled in a Ford V-8 Deluxe Sedan, black, with cream wire wheels, and Firestone tires and has travelled at various times with Florida, Tennessee, and Illinois license tags. Mr. Connelley stated that this might possibly be the car which they got away in.

I instructed Mr. Connelley to remain at Jacksonville instead of proceeding to Miami, until it could be ascertained what would develop as a result of the above lead.

Time 8:20 AM

I telephoned Agent Heffler at Philadelphia and advised him of the information received from Mr. Connelley to the effect that the Karpis crowd also had with them a Ford V-8 Sedan, and instructed him to broadcast this information also, in the event that this might have been the car used to escape from the Atlantic City police.

Mr. Heffler stated that they had just received information to the effect that the first report that the men had escaped in a LaSalle Sedan was erroneous; that the police at Atlantic City now state that it was a Pontiac Sedan and that the license tags were A-3073 instead of A2073. Mr. Heffler advised that this information had been re-broadcast.

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Respectfully,
E.A. Tamm

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 22, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

11:40 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman...
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schuler.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Waters called from Pittsburgh in connection with the Bremer case. He advised that he had received information that the doctor's car was located this morning near Monroe, Michigan, which would be on the road from where the other car was abandoned toward Detroit. He requested advice, in view of this information, as to whether it was still desired that a check be made at Erie, Pennsylvania of Art Burdette. It was requested that the check be made any way.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

Edw. D. Bremer

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Chicago Illinois

January 25, 1935

Superintendent
Washington Heights Post Office
1256 103d Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a letter with the
arrangement of your office by Special Agent in Charge
of this office. We have a third day mail cover
placed on the first class mail directed to Homestead
South Western Avenue, Evergreen Park, Illinois.

I would appreciate it if you would
as all mail is sent and received from
making reference to File No. 7-82.

Thanking you for your cooperation in this matter,

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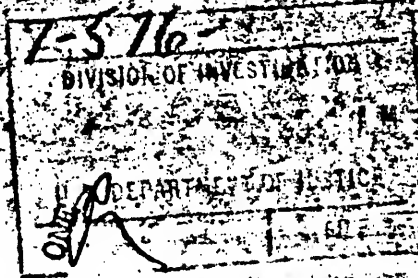
Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

DEP:00

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
CHICAGO FILE 7-82

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Room 414
Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

January 23, 1935,

Hon. Harlan Besson,
U. S. Attorney,
Trenton, N. J.

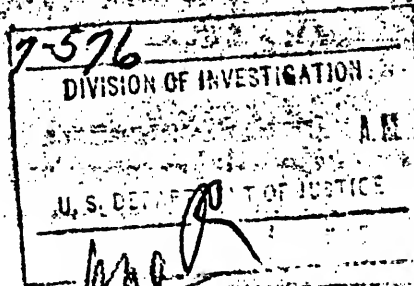
Attn: Thomas V. Arrowsmith,
Asst. U. S. Attorney

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, et al
EDWARD G. BREMER, VICTIM
KIDNAPPING

Dear Sir:-

Confirming our telephone conversation of even date regarding the Buick Sedan abandoned by Alvin Karpis in Atlantic City, N. J., on the morning of January 20, 1935, concerning which complete information was furnished you by telephone covering the description and circumstances of purchase for Karpis by one of his mob, I am transmitting herewith, for your use in preparing petition, a copy of the petition filed in the District Court of the United States, for the Northern District of Illinois, concerning seizure of one Ford V-8 Coupe, which car was used by Vernon G. Miller, a gangster, now deceased. Likewise, I am attaching photostatic copy of the order handed down by Federal Judge James H. Wilkerson, in connection with this matter.

The foregoing papers are forwarded for your use in the Federal District Court of New Jersey, in preparation of a petition to be utilized as a basis for recovery of the Buick Sedan mentioned above.



I would appreciate your returning the petition and Court Order as soon as they have served their purpose.

Very truly yours,

R. G. HARVEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

EASTERN DIVISION

Friday, December 22, A.D. 1933.

PRESENT: HONORABLE JAMES H. WILKERSON, Judge of said Court.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

VS.

ONE, 1932 MODEL, FORD V-8 COUPE,
Motor Number 1836196.

42971

On reading and considering the Petition.

this day filed by Dwight H. Green, United States Attorney,

the Court being advised in the premises,

IT IS ORDERED that the Department of Justice
be and it is hereby directed to deliver to the Division of
Investigation of the Department of Justice, to be used by said
Division of Investigation of the Department of Justice, One
1932 Model Ford V-8 Coupe, Motor Number 1836196.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

vs.

D. C. #42971

ONE, 1932 MODEL, FORD V-8 COUPE,
Motor Number 18-36196

PETITION

To The Honorable Judges of the United States Court for the Northern District
of Illinois:

Your Petitioner, Dwight H. Green, United States Attorney, for
the Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, represents unto this
Honorable Court that on, to-wit, the last day of November, A. D. 1933, Jay
C. Newman, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, Department of Justice,
in the District and Division aforesaid, did find and take possession of,
among other things:

One, 1932 Model, Ford V-8 Coupe,
Motor Number 18-36196.

Your Petitioner further represents that the said Ford automo-
bile was abandoned by Vernon C. Miller then a fugitive from justice. That
the said Special Agent investigated, and caused to be investigated, the title
of the said automobile. That he was unable to find the true owner of said
automobile, and that from investigation made by himself and other members
of the said Department of Justice, it was found that all names connected
thereto were fictitious, and furthermore your Petitioner states that at
no time was this property owned by the said Vernon C. Miller, now de-
ceased. Your Petitioner further states that the said automobile was not
attached to nor found in the land.

Your Petitioner further states that the said car has been in
the possession of the said Department of Justice since November 1, 1933,
and that the storage charges on said car are increasing daily.

WHEREFORE, your Petitioner prays that an order be entered declaring the said automobile to be owned by the United States of America as against all persons excepting the true owner thereof, and that the said car be retained by and delivered to the Division of Investigation of the Department of Justice to be used by the said Division of Investigation of the Department of Justice in the regular course of business.

EWING H. GREEN
United States Attorney.

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS)
EASTERN DIVISION) SS:

JAY C. NEWMAN, being first duly sworn on oath deposes and says that he has read the above and foregoing petition, knows the contents thereof, that the same is true to his own knowledge, excepting as to matters therein stated to be on information and belief, and as to those matters he believes it to be true.

JAY C. NEWMAN
Special Agent.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
twenty first day of December A.D. 1933.

WINIFRED M. BOWAN
Notary Public.

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

January 24, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Building,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218, et al.
EDWARD G. BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the enclosed map of the State of Kansas which was forwarded to this office by Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan, Kansas City, Missouri, on January 22, 1935, please be advised that Special Agent J. L. Fallon questioned Wynona Burdett, who is now in the custody of the Philadelphia Office, with reference to the route from Ottawa, Kansas, to Cherryvale, Kansas, with the writing thereon "16 / 73 W". Miss Burdett maintains the only time she saw this map was in the sitting room of the home occupied by Fred Barker and Kate Barker at Oklawaha, Florida, when she was living with them.

She was questioned closely as to what route they traversed in going from Ponca City, Oklahoma, to Florida, and maintained she went directly to Oklahoma City and thence to Texas and crossed the Mississippi River at a point unknown to her. She could not relate any directions after leaving the State of Texas. She claims at no time was she in the State of Kansas nor did Harry Campbell show her the map referred to. She stated she does not know whose handwriting it might be as she is only acquainted with Harry Campbell's and is quite positive he did not outline this route; that the negroes who were hired by the Barker family while residing in Oklawaha might be able to relate something about the various maps found in the cottage as the same were common property to everyone.

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who visited the cottage as they were on the table in the sitting room, as stated previously. Accordingly, this map is being returned to the Kansas City Office for disposition.

Very truly yours,

R. G. HARVEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - Division
Chicago - Mr. Connelley
Jacksonville
Kansas City
Oklahoma City
St. Paul

POST OFFICE BOX 829,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

January 23, 1935.



Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O.
1219; RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases,
(Deceased); DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I.O. 1232; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
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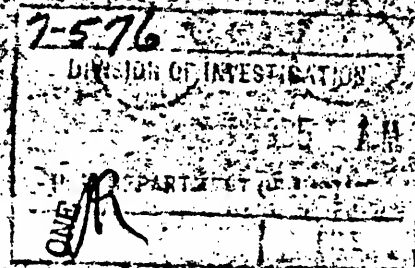
There are transmitted herewith two copies of the
report of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, dated
January 11, 1935, at Chicago, Illinois, which sets forth
information concerning the taking into custody of Arthur
R. Barker, Russell Gibson and William Bryan Bolton, to-
gether with the wife of Russell Gibson and certain other
individuals who were held for questioning. Due to the
confidential nature of this information, the Division
copies only were mailed at the time the report was
written.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc-Division



Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Washington, D.C.

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Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
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Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Dear Sir:

While listening to the radio this afternoon I heard of Barker's death in death in Florida. This is the first letter I have written to a public official, but I wish you to know that as an American citizen I truly appreciate your fight against the criminal element of this country.

* Commemorative

I also wish to congratulate you and your force on your success of the past few months and hope that you will continue to meet with such success. More power to you and your force!

Sincerely,

William Levatton

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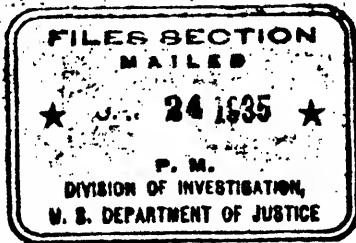
Mr. William Severson,
Decorah, Iowa.

Dear Mr. Severson:

You may be assured that the sentiments
expressed in your letter of January 16, 1935,
are deeply appreciated.

It is gratifying to learn that our
efforts in combating crime are endorsed by citi-
zens such as yourself.

Sincerely yours,



Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Egan.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Fox.....
Mr. Glavin.....
Mr. Ladd.....
Mr. Nichols.....
Mr. Rosen.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

JEH:HW

January 24, 1935.

Time-11:37 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

I telephoned Colonel Gates and asked that word be sent him at the Attorney General's Press Conference that if any of the reporters wanted photographs of the people named in the indictment at St. Paul, he could tell them that the photographs were available.

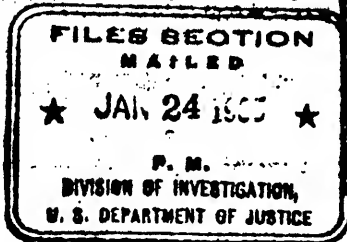
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED BY TELETYPEWRITER.

TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT
CHICAGO ILLINOIS

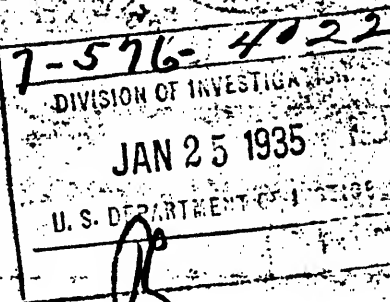
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1616 Federal Reserve
Bank Building
Kansas City, Missouri

January 24, 1935

Mr. Robert H. Hudspeth, Warden
United States Penitentiary Annex
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of January 19, 1935, enclosing a letter written by J. W. Gray, register #6013, to Mrs. J. W. Gray, 617 East Fourteenth Street, Kansas City, Missouri. It is noted that this letter contains a reference to the killing of "Freddy and his mother", which probably relates to Fred and Kate Barker.

I appreciate your forwarding this letter, and it will have appropriate consideration.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - Division



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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O.Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION	
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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O.#1219;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.#1232;
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim,
KIDNAPING.
St. Paul File No. 7-50

On January 22, 1935, a Mr. J.H. KUEKEN, who resides at 3594 Park Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota, telephone, Regent 1725, called at the St. Paul Division Office. Mr. Kueken claims that he was with "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN when the latter was arrested in Chicago. He states that this took place in the basement of BOLAND AND FRAZIER'S RESTAURANT, near State and Lake Streets in Chicago. His reason for being at this point, at that time, was that he was negotiating a sale of approximately 250 slot machines to McLAUGHLIN and had been so engaged for about ten days prior to the arrest. He is not certain as to the exact date of the arrest but his nearest recollection was that it occurred during August, 1933, and he states that he had about six meetings with McLAUGHLIN prior thereto. He states that McLAUGHLIN had an assistant whom he knew by the name of "MACK", who, Mr. Kueken believes, was engaged in exchanging "hot" money. Mr. Kueken has no evidence that this "MACK" was so engaged but was led to this belief from seeing "MACK" on five or six occasions meet with "BOSS" McLAUGHLIN in the bar room and gambling room under the bowling alley in FRAZIER'S RESTAURANT and on each occasion Kueken claims McLAUGHLIN would take "MACK" into the men's washroom, or behind the bar, where they would talk together privately for fifteen or twenty minutes, after which, "MACK" usually would leave McLAUGHLIN hurriedly with a black brief case in his, (MACK'S), hand.

Kueken states that he was at this "MACK'S" home four or five times and that it was in the vicinity of 25th and Clark Street in an apartment; however, he cannot give the address although he claims he would be able to take anyone to this place. He says he met "MACK" and McLAUGHLIN together and that "MACK" was apparently handling slot machines for McLAUGHLIN, who was a "fixer" of the Chicago Police to let slot machines run in the Chicago Loop.

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Kueken describes "MACK" as being about 200 pounds or more in weight, white, evidently a native of the United States, about 5'10" in height, 35 to 40 years of age, of heavy build, having dark brown hair, blue eyes, being a good talker, sloppy dresser, and claimed to have been a former Federal convict.

At the time Mr. Kueken was in the St. Paul Division Office, Special Agent McIntire of the Chicago Division Office was present and stated that McLAUGHLIN was arrested at his home rather than at the State and Lake Street Restaurant; that the arrest took place in April, 1934, rather than in August, 1933; and that, therefore, there probably was no connection between the BREMER case and whatever information Mr. Kueken may have.

The above is being forwarded to you merely to keep you fully advised as to all developments in this territory.

Very truly yours,

D.M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

SHW:TC
CC Division

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

JEH:CDW January 24, 1935

Time - 4:45 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Bremer case.

Colonel Gates telephoned and stated that the Associated Press telephoned him and stated that they understand that the Barker-Karpis gang killed Fred Goetz to keep him from talking in connection with the above case.

I told him that we have been unable to get a confirmation of any such story.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Division of Investigation

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January 22, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....
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I called Mr. Connelley at Philadelphia and asked him what immediate plans were after he had completed the questioning of Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette. He stated that he felt he should proceed immediately to the midwest and I stated that this was the Director's feeling in this situation. Connelley states that he will complete the questioning of these women sometime this afternoon and will then proceed by plane if possible or by train to Detroit and thence to Chicago.

I asked Mr. Connelley for his opinion concerning the filing of charges against the Delaney and Burdette women and he stated that he didn't think that they would receive much of a sentence in New Jersey if we filed upon them there, and he stated that he thought the best procedure would be to prosecute these women in Florida, since this procedure would probably strengthen our case against Duke Randall, Joe Adams and Carson Bradford in Florida. I told Mr. Connelley that I thought he was right in this viewpoint and told him that I would instruct Hanson in Miami to today file charges against these women under the Harboring Statute and to forward certified papers, air mail, special delivery to Philadelphia. I advised Mr. Connelley that the details of the complaint filed would be sent to him by telegram so that when he had finished questioning the women, a fugitive complaint could be filed in Philadelphia and the women turned over to the United States Marshal.

I questioned Mr. Connelley as to the desirability of taking Duke Randall to Chicago. He stated that he does not believe that there is any purpose in removing Randall to Chicago at the present time, particularly since Hanson appears to be getting full information from Randall. He states that he believes Randall can be interrogated in Miami.

Connelley advised that he had personally talked to Bradford, who is of the "crying type" and Bradford was emphasizing his innocence in all of these transactions and demanding to know if the Government would pay for the damage done to the house which he had rented to the Barkers.

I also mentioned to Mr. Connelley the steps which the Division was taking to enable Agents to obtain entrance to the safe deposit box in Havana. Mr. Connelley suggested that Mr. Matthews at the American Embassy is a good friend of the Jacksonville Office.

I called Mr. Hanson at 11:20 A.M., at Miami, and he stated that Randall is talking freely, giving considerable information concerning the association of

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Joe Adams with the Barkers and Karpis. Randall states that he purchased an automobile for Karpis at the request of Joe Adams and is making other statements, implicating Joe Adams in the harboring of the fugitives in Miami. Randall still insists that he did not know the identity of the fugitives. Mr. Hanson states that they are vigorously interviewing Randall and will continue to do so. Mr. Hanson has recovered a Colt Monitor rifle which Randall states he obtained from Joe Adams and attempted to sell. The Agents at Miami have also recovered the Ford car which Randall purchased from the Barkers.

Keep after these two as well as Randall.
I advised Mr. Hanson to continue vigorously upon this matter and to obtain all possible evidence implicating Joe Adams and Carson Bradford in the harboring of the fugitives in Florida. I further instructed Mr. Hanson to file a complaint against Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette today, charging them with harboring the fugitive and to forward certified papers to Philadelphia, together with telegraphic summary of the complaint filed.

I suggested to Mr. Hanson that he suggest to the agents in Havana that they obtain the assistance of the local police in obtaining entrance to the safe deposit box, advising him that we have already taken the matter up with the State Department and the headquarters office of the National City Bank.

Respectfully,

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E. A. Tamm

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

EAT:TAM

January 21, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I contacted Mr. Ladd at Chicago this morning and asked whether he had transmitted to the Division photographs of Harold Alderton and Elmer Farmer. He stated that these photographs had been taken in the Chicago Office but that through oversight he had failed to transmit them to the Division. I instructed Mr. Ladd to submit these photographs immediately by air mail, special delivery and admonished him for his failure to transmit them to the Division immediately after they had been taken.

Photographs of Vidler and McLaughlin are being prepared in the Photographic Section and will be finished this afternoon.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Time 5:40 PM

Mr. Waldrop telephoned. I advised him that the indictment returned in the Bremer case had been released today and that we would be glad to furnish him with pictures of any of the subjects which we had available if he desired them.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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January 24, 1935

Time - 3:12 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Alvin Karpis

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Harvey at Philadelphia, I inquired why the affair with Karpis at Atlantic City recently was not promptly reported to him. Mr. Harvey stated that as he understands the situation, a police teletype message to the effect that the car in question had been recovered at Atlantic City went out; that this message was received by the Philadelphia Police Department. Mr. Harvey stated that the usual procedure taken by the Police in matters of this kind is that the lieutenant who is on duty at the time of the receipt of such a message will immediately call Mr. Harvey and usually Mr. Fierstone at Atlantic City; that in this instance, the regular lieutenant was off and the man on duty merely telephoned Mr. Fierstone at Atlantic City; that Mr. Fierstone naturally presumed that he, Mr. Harvey, had also been notified and did not call Mr. Harvey about the matter; that the man at the Police Department then reported that he had reported the matter to the Department of Justice, when, as a matter of fact, he had reported the matter merely to Mr. Fierstone.

Mr. Harvey stated that he places the utmost confidence in the regular lieutenant of the Philadelphia Police Department who is in charge of this particular work, and stated that this is the first instance where anything of this kind has occurred.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

EAT:CSH

January 22, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

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Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
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Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

I called Mr. Nathan at St. Paul to secure the developments in the court proceedings relative to the Bremer kidnaping case there. He advised that the Grand Jury is still hearing witnesses; that he hopes they will finish this afternoon; that he believes the indictments should be returned by tomorrow. Nathan advised that a lawyer named Fisher, of a large firm in Chicago, had arrived there this morning to represent Farmer. Nathan stated after Farmer had been before the Grand Jury he allowed the lawyer to see him, and that Farmer had signed a waiver of immunity, also a waiver of removal; that, in fact, all three of them had signed waivers of immunity and removal. Mr. Nathan stated there may be a little delay in the arraignment because, as he understands it, an attorney is entitled to a copy of the indictment, but stated that the longer the arraignment is delayed, the better. Mr. Nathan stated he had talked with the Judge and Doc Barker's bond will be \$100,000, and the bonds of the other three will probably be \$50,000. Mr. Nathan stated they are going to indict James Wilson, and his bond probably won't be over \$50,000.

I asked Mr. Nathan whether the Marshal had secured the authorization for the appointment of special deputies to act as guards and he stated it had been received Saturday and acted upon on Monday, and they are assuming the responsibility for the payment of these guards.

Mr. Nathan stated he had the publicity situation well in hand; that he is going to let them take a photograph of Barker in jail; that he has declined to talk about any other prisoners we may have, although the papers know who we have; that the Chicago papers are quoting the chief of police at Bensenville.

Mr. Nathan stated there are going to be two indictments, one substantive and the other conspiracy, and that on the substantive indictment are included Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. Barker, Volney Davis,

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SS ^{SS} Harry Campbell, Elmer Farmer, Harold Alderton, William Weaver, Harry Sawyer, William J. Harrison, Myron Bolton and John Doe and Richard Roe. On the conspiracy indictment are included Alvin Karpis, Arthur Barker, Volney Davis, Harry Campbell, Elmer Farmer, Harold Alderton, William Weaver, Harry Sawyer, William J. Harrison, Oliver A. Bird, Joseph Patrick Moran, John Joseph McLaughlin, William Edward Vidler, Phillip J. Delaney, one Whitie, true name unknown, Myron Bolton, James J. Wilson, Jeff Doyle, Edna Murray, Myrtle Eaton, John Doe and Richard Roe. Mr. Nathan also advised in connection with this indictment that there is a statement to the effect that "all of the foregoing persons, individually, collectively, et cetera, conspired, combined, to confederate and agreed together and with each other, and with various and divers other persons whose names and personal descriptions are unknown to the Grand Jurors, and with the following late deceased, namely, one Kate Barker alias Ma Barker, one Fred Barker, one Russell Gibson, one George Zeigler, all four of whom were living beings during the period of time hereinbefore alleged, etc."

Mr. Nathan advised that the United States Attorney's attitude is very good, that he is enthusiastic and complimentary. He advised that he will let me know as soon as the indictments are returned.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

JOHN F. HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:TAM

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 21, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

While talking to Mr. Harvey on other matters I stated that consideration should be given to the necessity of filing a complaint against Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette in the event there was any indication that a writ of habeas corpus would be brought for them. I advised Mr. Harvey that I did not believe there was any Federal charge which could be filed in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania but that if the emergency arose he should send an Agent to Camden or Trenton and file a complaint in the District of New Jersey, charging these women with harboring Karpis, after which he could immediately file a fugitive complaint in Philadelphia.

E. A. Tamm

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TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I. O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING.
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 30%;"> <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p><i>[Circular stamp: DEPT. OF JUSTICE, DIVISION ONE, JAN 24 1935 PM]</i></p> <p>REFERENCE:</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> </div> <div style="width: 70%;"> <p>All peace officers and hospitals in Tennessee furnished with description of Karpis and Campbell and asked to be on lookout for them. Police officers advised of Buick and Pontiac cars in possession and recovery of both; also that they may be using Ford V-8 Sedan.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>Division wire dated January 20, 1935.</p> <p>AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE.</p> <p>On the morning of January 20, 1935, Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, then at Miami, Florida, telephonically advised that Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney left Miami on the afternoon of January 16, 1935 in a two-door 1935 model Buick Sedan bearing 1935 Florida license tags No. D-5306, which car bore motor number 4949155, same having been purchased in the name of Leroy Morrison at Buffalo, New York. Agent Hanson advised that Dolores Delaney is now pregnant and expects to give birth at any time and recently received medical attention from Dr. F. O. Nichols of Etowah, Tennessee; that Dr. Nichols has been interviewed by agents; that Joe Adams of Etowah, Tennessee is also possibly acquainted with members of this gang and he has been interviewed at Miami, Florida.</p> <p>This information was immediately broadcast by wires to police throughout this State and circular letters were sent to every police officer in Tennessee on the morning of the 20th. On the afternoon of the 20th a wire was received from the Division to the effect that the aforementioned car had been recovered at Atlantic City, New Jersey; that Karpis and Harry Campbell had escaped; that Campbell is believed to have been wounded; that Winona Burdett and Dolores Delaney</p> </div> </div>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature: W. A. Rorer]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO: 3-Division 2-St. Paul 2-Nashville		<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <p>7-576-4032</p> <p>JAN 26 1935 A.M.</p> <p>BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION</p> <p>ROUTED TO: <i>[initials]</i> FILE</p> <p><i>[Stamp: ONE, STAT. SECT.]</i></p> </div> <div style="width: 50%;"> <p>RECORDED AND INDEXED: JAN 20 1935</p> <p>CHECKED OFF: JAN 28 1935</p> <p>JACKETED:</p> </div> </div>	
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were in custody. Police officials in major cities in Tennessee were immediately notified by telephone and telegraph and circular letters were prepared and put in the mail on the same date to all peace officers in Tennessee, advising them of the description of Karpis and Campbell and that Campbell was believed to be wounded.

They were also furnished in this circular with a description of the Pontiac car which they left Atlantic City in, and the fact that they may possibly be using Ford V-8 Deluxe Sedan with white wire wheels.

On January 22, 1935 all police officials in Tennessee were advised of the location of the Pontiac automobile in which Karpis and Campbell had left Atlantic City. In addition to the above, form letters were sent to every hospital in the State of Tennessee to be on the lookout for both Karpis and Campbell. Descriptions were furnished and they were advised that Campbell was believed to be suffering from gunshot wounds.

P E N D I N G

January 23, 1935

Time - 4:12 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Bremer case

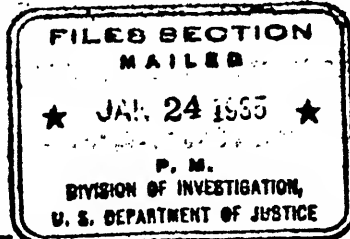
I telephoned Mr. McMahon relative to the indictment which has been returned in the above case at St. Paul. He stated that he has been asked by Mr. Stanley to communicate with the United States Attorney at St. Paul relative to this matter; that as he understands the situation, the Attorney out there wants to keep the indictment secret and I want to make it public; that before he calls the United States Attorney, he wanted to get my view on it.

I told him that it has always been the policy of the United States Attorney at St. Paul to never disclose an indictment as long as the persons named in the indictment are still fugitives from justice. I told him that fundamentally I agreed with this policy, provided that the persons being sought do not know that they are being sought. In this particular case, every one of those who is a fugitive, knows that he is being sought; that the names of the persons named in the indictment have been printed from coast to coast and are perfectly aware of the fact that they are being sought. I told him that it was my desire to make it possible to prosecute any person who at any time harbored or assisted these persons. I told him that if the case of a secret indictment, it was not possible to prosecute for harboring for the reason that the persons harboring such fugitives are not in possession of any constructive knowledge that an indictment has been returned.

I further informed Mr. McMahon that I had expressed these views to the Attorney General, and the Attorney General had concurred with me in detail.

Mr. McMahon stated that he was going to immediately call the United States Attorney at St. Paul and would inform me of the result of his conversation with the United States Attorney.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
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Miss Gandy.....



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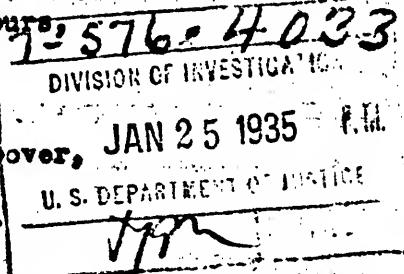
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John Edgar Hoover,

Director.



Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

January 25, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice Bldg.,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.
1218-FUGITIVE, et al- Kidnaping

A certified copy of the complaint and warrants filed by the U.S. Attorney, Southern District of Florida, Miami, against Wynona Burdette and Delores DeLaney, charging harboring of Alvin Karpis in that district were received by the U.S. Attorney, Philadelphia, under date of January 24, 1935. Fugitive complaints were filed against these individuals and Wynona Burdette was arraigned before the U.S. Commissioner, William S. Wacker, at Philadelphia, Pa., at noon, January 24, 1935. The Commissioner set bail at \$50,000 returnable April 4, 1935, Miami, Fla.

Delores DeLaney was arraigned by Commissioner Wacker in the Maternity Ward of the Hahnemann Hospital, where she is now confined, and was placed under \$50,000 bail, returnable Miami, Fla., April 4, 1935.

In accordance with instructions, these individuals were placed in the custody of the U.S. Marshal. Wynona Burdette was lodged in Moyamensing Prison, Philadelphia, and Delores DeLaney will be kept in custody at the Hahnemann Hospital.

Very truly yours,

R. G. Harvey

R.G. Harvey,

Special Agent in Charge.

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MEMORANDUM

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Re: BREMER KIDNAPING CASE

Reference is made to a long distance phone call received from the Philadelphia office by Special Agent E. M. Black on the night of January 22, 1935, regarding a Harry Campbell living at 4096 Calhoun Street, Dearborn, Michigan. The details of this phone call are set forth in an additional memorandum dictated by Agent Black.

Inquiry to develop this information was conducted on the late night of January 22, 1935, and forenoon of January 23, 1935. The street given as Calhoun in Dearborn is undoubtedly wrong and should be Olhoun. The address 4096 Calhoun in Dearborn is an apartment house which has 44 apartments. It is managed by Mrs. Emma Conner, whose husband, Isham Conner, is employed at the Ford plant, badge # M5152. The caretaker, Mrs. Conner, may be reached at telephone Oregon 9849.

Lieutenant Rueben Orr of the Dearborn Police Department was contacted in the matter, as he is well posted on matters of this sort in Dearborn and has numerous acquaintances and informants, and has been of material assistance to this office in the past in many matters. In company with Lieutenant Orr this Agent and Agent Graham made a careful tour of the premises in question on the night of January 22, 1935, at which time practically all of the apartments were dark and no automobiles bearing other than local license plates were noted to be parked around this apartment or in that immediate vicinity. The majority of people in this vicinity are employed at the Ford plant which is nearby.

The caretaker in the apartment, Mrs. Emma Conner was carefully interviewed in her private apartment, #108, and from her it was learned that Apartment #201 is occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell and Mrs. Campbell's young son, age 8, by a former marriage. These persons have rented this apartment since September 15, 1934. It is a two room apartment. Mr. Campbell is known as a fireman with the city fire department of Dearborn, Michigan, working twenty-four hour shifts. Mrs. Conner stated that she had not seen in this apartment or with the Campbell family any persons of a questionable character in the recent past, especially during the last two days, and that likewise she had not observed any late callers going to or from this apartment, nor had she seen any automobiles around here which are not usually parked nearby being owned by the tenants. She further stated that she is frequently in Apartment 201 on matters pertaining to the building, such as arranging for the laundry and sundry and other similar things, and that Mrs. Campbell frequently calls at her apartment in connection with domestic matters. She understands that Mr. Campbell comes from Pennsylvania,

and that Mrs. Campbell, who is his second wife, is a native Detroit woman. Mr. Campbell is about 38 years of age, is estimated to weigh 165 pounds, 6 feet tall, has black hair and a fair complexion. He bears a good reputation except occasionally he gets drunk while off duty and within the past week gave his wife a severe beating for which he was temporarily arrested, but as she refused to appear he was released. By a former marriage Mr. Campbell has three children, two boys and a girl. His first wife has since remarried and lives at an unknown address on Ford Road and his three children attend one of two schools, that is, the Lawrey or Woodward School.

At Agent's request, Mrs. Conner made a special visit to the Campbell apartment and during the course of her visit carefully observed the contents of the apartment, and upon returning to be interviewed stated that she observed no one in the apartment and could see nothing of an unusual nature while there, and that she was personally satisfied that no one was being secreted there. Lieutenant Orr, through discreet inquiries of the Superintendent of City Firemen, was able to learn that Harry Campbell was born and raised in Elmwood, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Conner was requested to consult her record of previous occupants of this apartment and informed Agent that one George Lomas and wife lived in this apartment for a short period prior to its present occupancy and prior to the tenancy of Lomas, two boys, given names not known, but last names being McConnell and Osborn, occupied the apartment for about one year. These other tenants were employed by the Ford Motor Company. It was further learned from this lady that a William Campbell occupied Apartment 208 in this building until January 8, 1935, and these people were on the Dearborn welfare, but recently Mr. Campbell was able to secure a job at the Ford Motor Company and on the aforementioned date they moved to 5146 Terres Avenue, Dearborn, Michigan. This family, according to Mrs. Conner, was very poor and in desperate financial circumstances, and during the time they were here, which was less than one year, she frequently saw them in the apartment building as also in their private apartment, and at no time did she observe any suspicious characters or unusual goings on. It should also be stated that photographs of Karpis and Campbell were exhibited to Mrs. Conner and she definitely stated that she had never seen anyone resembling them in or about this building.

With the view of getting further information on William Campbell who formerly occupied Apartment 208, Agent went to the Dearborn City Welfare Department, consulted the records there regarding this man, and found that he is now 22 years of age, was born in Ontario, Canada, and by trade is a printer. He has worked from time to time for short periods of time in several of the local automobile factories.

Lieutenant Orr is rendering very splendid cooperation in this matter and stated that he will be on the alert for any additional information in connection with this particular line of inquiry which may be productive of results, and will immediately get in touch with this office if

he learns anything of interest.

Without being in possession of the details as to the source of the information which prompted this investigation, the writer has come to the conclusion that the original informant in the matter evidently had mistaken Harry Campbell, who is employed by the city of Dearborn as a fireman, for the Subject of this case. In conclusion it may also be stated that Lieutenant Orr has a speaking acquaintance with Mr. Campbell, and states that he does not resemble the photograph of Subject Campbell.

R. B. Donaldson
Special Agent

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C.C. Livers
Philadelphia
SAC Connolly

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida

January 24, 1935

RAA:SIH

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases--I. O. #1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases--I. O. #1213;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases--I. O. #1232;
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
KIDNAPING

On January 23, 1935, Special Agent (A) R. L. Tollett furnished the Jacksonville office with a memorandum containing the following information:

At 9:00 A. M. on January 22, 1935, at Miami, Florida, Assistant United States Attorney W. S. Gramling requested Agent Tollett to stand by while he went to 1251 1/2 Northwest 4th Street in answer to a call that he came alone. At 9:30 A. M. Mr. Gramling telephoned Agent Tollett to come to said address. Upon arrival, Mr. Gramling introduced Agent to Merle H. Rolfe, who operates the Rolfe Armored Car Service and contracts for the guard at the Biscayne Kennel Club. Rolfe showed Agent Tollett an automatic rifle or machine gun which had been left in his office by Duke Randall who offered it for sale for \$150.00. Agent Tollett examined the weapon, which is very similar to the Division's Colt Monitors. It had the numbers and manufacturer's name chiseled off. After hearing Rolfe's explanation as to how the gun came into his possession, Agent Rolfe telephoned Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, who requested that the gun be brought to his, Hanson's, room, No. 611, in the Alcazar Hotel. Agent Tollett took possession of the gun without receipt along with four loaded clips and a wooden box and delivered same to Agent in Charge Hanson.

Rolfe related to Agent Tollett that he employed Duke Randall as a guard at the Biscayne Kennel Club, arrangements for the employment having been made by Joe Adams, who refunded to Rolfe the weekly salary of twenty-five dollars paid to Randall. He also stated that at about 1:00 P. M. on Friday, January 18, 1935, Randall came to his, Rolfe's, combination home and office, bringing the automatic rifle. Randall explained to Rolfe that it was one of three in Miami and offered to sell it to Rolfe, who owns several types of guns, for \$150.00. During the demonstration the gun accidentally discharged. Upon seeing the numbers and manufacturer's name chiseled off, Rolfe refused to buy it, but Randall left it with him, Rolfe, who became uneasy with it in his possession and called Mr. Gramling. Rolfe was quite eager to let Agent Tollett have the gun, possession of which is illegal under the new Federal laws, and stated that he desired Agent Tollett to explain taking possession of the gun by

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saying that Randall had been followed to his, Rolfe's, house and the gun subsequently seized, without the tip from Rolfe. Rolfe explained his request by stating that his employment of Randall would injure his reputation if known, and that he feared the consequences which might follow his calling Gramling.

All of the above information was furnished by Agent Tollett to Agent in Charge Hanson in Miami. Mr. Rolfe assured Agent Tollett that he would be willing to furnish any information possible requested of him in the future.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

cc St. Paul
Chicago
E. J. Connelley
J. H. Hanson, Miami
Jax #7-24

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 22, 1935

Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Mr. Egan.....

Time - 6:15 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan telephoned from St. Paul and stated that both the kidnaping indictment and the conspiracy indictment were returned today; that all persons named on the list which was furnished to Mr. Nathan are named in these indictments; that, however, there will be no arraignments immediately. Mr. Nathan stated that Jimmie Wilson, the understudy of Mr. Moran, is being picked up again; that he came to St. Paul under subpoena, and after he is picked up will probably make bail.

Mr. Nathan stated that the indictments are being returned secretly, but he believes the press will assume that they have been returned, and Mr. Nathan expects to see the news of their return all over the morning papers.

Mr. Nathan stated that he would forward to the Division a copy of the indictment tonight.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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Laboratory Report
January 24, 1935

Case: ⁶Alvin Karpis with aliases et al;
Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Number: 7-576

Specimens: Two Browning automatic rifles with numbers removed located in apartment of Russell Gibson shortly after his apprehension at Chicago. One Browning automatic rifle with number removed which Russell Gibson was carrying at the time of his apprehension. One Thompson sub-machine gun found in apartment of Doc Barker shortly after apprehension of Russell Gibson, number removed.

Examination requested by: Mr. E. J. Connelley - Chicago

Date received: January 16, 1935

Examination requested: Ballistic

Result of examination:

Examination by: Parsons ^{28P}

Attempts have been made to restore the serial numbers on these guns with the following results:

On the Thompson sub-machine gun, marked found in the apartment of Doc Barker, the serial number had been drilled and the attempt to restore it was unsuccessful.

On the Browning automatic rifle found intact in the apartment of Russell Gibson, the number has been restored and found to be 211774. Neither of the other two rifles have responded to treatment but further attempts will be made to restore the numbers on these guns and any additional information will be submitted in a supplementary report.

The Browning automatic rifle found disassembled in the apartment of Russell Gibson was found to have a defective firing pin and an attempt had been made to repair it. This firing pin was replaced in order to obtain test bullets and cartridge cases and the firing pin impression on the cartridge cases from this gun is therefore not significant.

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Test bullets and cartridge cases were taken from all of these guns and compared with the specimens contained in the Laboratory File but none similar found. One set of these specimens were forwarded to your office as requested. Another set is being retained in the Laboratory File for possible future reference.

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These guns are being retained in the Laboratory.

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January 25, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases et al;
Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

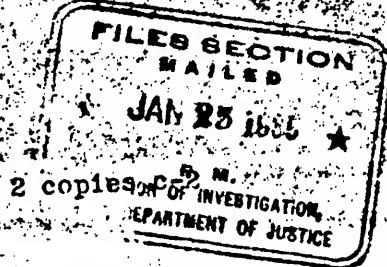
There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report
covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office
in connection with the above entitled matter and received in
the Division January 17, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: #806440

cc-St. Paul



P. O. Box 1383

Butte, Montana, January 22, 1935.



Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;
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DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I. O. 1232, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Referring to carbon copy of letter from the Chicago
Office, dated December 26, 1934, to the St. Paul Office,
relative to Ford V-8 coach, Motor No. 1130843, Ford V-8
Victoria Coupe, Motor No. 1142463, and 1933 Model Pontiac
Coach, Motor No. 935155, Serial No. 815237, I would respectfully
state that this matter has been put through the Motor Vehicle
Departments of Montana and Idaho and no record found for these
cars. Both the Registrar of Motor Vehicles at Deer Lodge,
Montana, and the Commissioner of Law Enforcement at Boise, Idaho,
advise that if any of these cars are offered for registration
the Butte Office will be immediately advised.

Very truly yours,

D. H. DICKASON
Special Agent in Charge

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414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

January 25, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice Bldg.,
Washington, D.C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.
1218, FUGITIVE, et al
Kidnaping

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Dear Sir:

In reference to telephonic conversation with Mr. Tamm of the Division relative to the failure of the Pennsylvania State Police to notify the Philadelphia Office of the recovery of Pontiac Sedan, near Doylestown, which was used by Karpis in his flight from Atlantic City, the following information is submitted:

Special Agent in Charge Whitley, who was acting in my absence on January 21st, informed me he received no notification of the abandoning of this car from the State Police. I immediately telephoned Major Adams of that organization and he stated that this information was furnished by teletype to the Philadelphia Police, who later informed him that they could not reach our Philadelphia Office, and further that I was in New York City, and other agents were in Atlantic City. Mr. Whitley, however, informed me that no one from the State Police or the Philadelphia Police telephoned this office.

Major Adams later informed me that the teletype message went out at 3.46 P.M. to the Philadelphia Police, Har蒙ton, N.J. Barracks of the State Police, and the Atlantic City Police, in which the Philadelphia Police were requested to get in touch with this office and advise us of the recovery of the Pontiac Sedan.

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Major Adams stated the first information he had concerning this car was from his barracks at Doylestown at 3 P.M. on the 21st, although the car was recovered about 7 A.M. on the morning of the 21st by Chief of Police Albert Cooper, Quakertown, Pa. I obtained a copy of the teletype message from the State Police, which reads as follows:

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"Re NJ GB-616 dated 1-20-35 be advised the State Police and State Highway Patrol have located the Pontiac Sedan NJ.Reg. A-3073 Mfg 887386 Mot 1039382 Color Pea Green found on a lonely lane about 2 miles Southeast of Quakertown Bucks Co. Pa. Car is being held at State Police Doylestown Pa. The car had four bullet holes in it none of which could have taken effect on its occupants There were no blood stains in it There were no tracks of another car behind it and State Police and Highway Patrol are endeavoring to locate the criminals in that vicinity"

This verifies the fact that Adams had sent out the proper notification.

Adams also informed me that he had every available man of his force on guard duty along the highway between Philadelphia and the western part of the State on the lookout for Karpis.

The copy of the aforementioned teletype message was obtained from Captain of Detectives John Creedon of the Philadelphia Police Department, who informed me that since he was absent from the office, and ordinarily handles such matters, the assistant, who was taking his place, instead of calling the Philadelphia Office upon receipt of the aforementioned teletype message, telephoned to Agent Fierstone in Atlantic City, inasmuch as Fierstone's address had been left with him by Mr. Heffler, who was Acting Agent in Charge in my absence, on the 20th, and Fierstone naturally assumed that this office had received the information from the Philadelphia Police.

In view of the foregoing, it will be noted that the Pennsylvania State Police cannot be charged with failure to notify this office of the recovery of this automobile.

Immediately upon receipt of this information, several agents were sent to Quakertown, Pa., to conduct investigation.

Very truly yours,

R. G. Harvey

R.G. Harvey,
Special Agent in Charge.

RCH:AG.
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January 26, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases
I.O. 1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim,
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the fingerprint card received
in the Division on Henry Randall, #7836, Police Department,
Miami, Florida, please be advised that an examination of
the fingerprint records fails to disclose any data concerning
this individual.

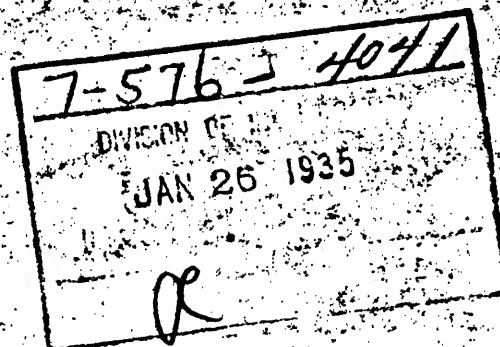
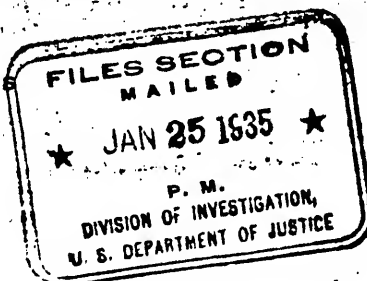
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

CC - Division Office,
St. Paul, Minn.
Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Division of Invest.,
U.S. Dept. of Justice,
P. O. Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

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January 24, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR UNIT FOUR,
EQUIPMENT SECTION.

RE: VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases,
KIDNAPING.

There are transmitted herewith data for
Identification Order #1237 to be issued relative
to the above subject.

Kindly verify the fingerprint classifica-
tion, and use the attached photograph.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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IDENTIFICATION
ORDER NO. 1237
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VOLNEY DAVIS,
S. E. Lockwood
DAVIS, E. E.

DESCRIP
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Weight,
Build,
Hair,
Eyes,
Complexion,
Birth date,
Place of birth,
Education,
Occupation,
Military service,
Marital status,
Religion,
Political views,
Social views,
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WANTED:

VOLNEY DAVIS, with aliases:
"Curley" Davis, "Cotton" Davis, E. V. Davis, J. H. Lockwood,
S. E. Lockwood, C. E. Moore, Jimmie, Curley Moore, Everett
Davis, Curley Hansen, Curley Hanson, J. E. Hansen, Roy Green. KIDNAPING

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DESCRIPTION

Age, 31 years
Height, 5 feet, 8 1/2 inches
Weight, 123 pounds
Build, slender
Hair, light chestnut
Eyes, blue
Complexion, fair
Scar, vertical cut scar 1/2 inch above eyebrow.

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(date)

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RELATIVES

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney E. Davis, parents,
Route #2, Neosho, Missouri.
Mrs. John (Mildred) Hansen, sister,
Route #2, Neosho, Missouri.
Mrs. John G. (Bertha) Williams, sister,
436 East Oklahoma Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Glenn (Ruby) Lamberson, sister,
1019 1/2 South Rockford Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Luther B. (Irene) Hoffman, sister,
416 East Oklahoma Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Charles (Bulah) Porter, sister,
Oklahoma State Hospital for the Insane,
Vinita, Oklahoma.

CRIMINAL RECORD

As Volney Davis, #1025, arrested
Police Department, Tulsa,
Oklahoma, February 5, 1919;
charge, grand larceny;
turned over to Tulsa County.
As Volney Davis, alias V. E.
Davis, #9849, received State
Penitentiary, McAlester,
Oklahoma, September 28, 1919,
from Tulsa County; crime,
grand larceny; sentence,
three years.
As Volney Davis, #12808, received
State Penitentiary, McAlester,
Oklahoma, February 3, 1923,
from Tulsa, Oklahoma; crime,
murder; sentence, life;
escaped January 8, 1925.
As Roy Green alias Volney Davis,
#13404, arrested Police Depart-
ment, Kansas City, Missouri,
January 21, 1925; charge,
investigation - fugitive;
returned.
As Volney Davis, #12808, returned
State Penitentiary, McAlester,
Oklahoma, January 25, 1925;
November 1, 1932 granted
leave of absence to July 1,
1933; leave of absence
extended to July 1, 1934;
leave cancelled, now a fugitive.

Volney Davis is wanted for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer at
St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934. An indictment was returned by the
Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota on January 22, 1935, charging Davis
and others with the kidnaping.

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Issued by:

Director.

(OVER)

January 25, 1935

Mr. R. J. Connelley,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the latent fingerprint examinations being conducted in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases; et al; Edward G. Bremer - Victim, Kidnaping.

The fingerprints of Wynona Burdette, our file #828772, and Dolores Delaney, our file #877713 have been compared with the latent finger impressions previously developed in this case. Thirty-five latent prints developed on material found in an apartment at 7137 Yates Avenue, Chicago, Illinois have been identified as those of Dolores Delaney. It is noted that other latent prints on this material have been previously reported as being identical with fingerprints of Alvin Karpis and Fred Goetz alias George Fiegler (deceased).

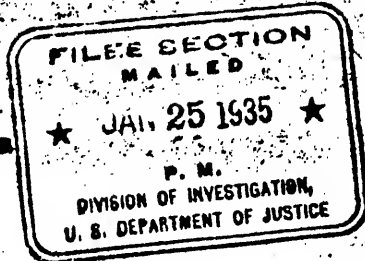
No identification could be effected with the fingerprints of Wynona Burdette.

It is further noted that a number of the unidentified latent prints remaining in this case are palmar impressions, and it is suggested that palm prints of suspects in this case be submitted to the Division, where available.

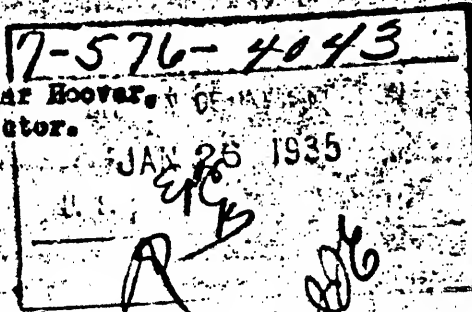
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-St. Paul
cc-Philadelphia



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January 22, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Colonel Gates telephoned and made reference to a memorandum written by me in regard to the Karpis-Barker case. Colonel Gates inquired if I objected to his having several copies of it mimeographed. I stated that I had no objection. I remarked that the memorandum was written before Fred and "Ma" Barker were killed.

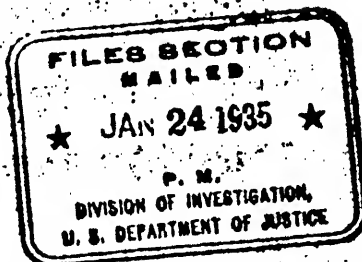
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Special Agent in Charge
Detroit, Michigan

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Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I.O. #1215;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O. #1232;
ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Further reference is made to my letter of January 23, 1935, regarding information that Arthur Burdette, a brother of Wynone Burdette, is presently residing in Saginaw, Michigan.

Inquiries have been made by Special Agent W. B. O'Mahoney at Coffeyville, Kansas, where it was determined that apparently the original information indicating the possible presence of this man in Saginaw came from one Melvin Drake, a radio announcer. Agent O'Mahoney ascertained that Arthur Burdette was in Coffeyville for a short time several months ago, at which time he was associated with an orchestra known as The Arkansas Travelers which broadcast from the Coffeyville Radio Station. After leaving Coffeyville Drake received a card from Arthur Burdette, which was, to the best of his recollection, mailed at Erie, Pennsylvania. However, he subsequently heard, through discussion with other acquaintances of Arthur Burdette, that the latter was now located in Saginaw, Michigan.

Agent O'Mahoney was informed that Arthur Burdette has in the past broadcast from Station K V O, Tulsa, Oklahoma, with three of his sisters named Eunice, Jim and Ruth. At the time these inquiries were made at Coffeyville some members of The Arkansas Travelers orchestra were broadcasting from the Coffeyville station and were interviewed by Agent O'Mahoney. However, they had no definite information as to the present location of Arthur Burdette. The leader of the orchestra, Bob Mayfield, was not in Coffeyville, but the Agent was advised that Mayfield's orchestra will play for a dance on the night of January 24, 1935 at 416 South Detroit, Tulsa, Oklahoma. It is possible that Mayfield has definite in-

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formation as to the present whereabouts of Bardette.

This information was transmitted by telephone to Special Agent in Charge Brantley, of the Oklahoma City Office, in order that Bob Mayfield might be interviewed and any further information which he might have concerning Arthur Bardette might be obtained.

Very truly yours,

R. B. NATHAN
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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cc - Division

Mr. Connelly, Chicago

St. Paul

Oklahoma City

REN:CSH

January 24, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR UNIT FOUR,
EQUIPMENT SECTION.

RE: HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
KIDNAPING.

There are transmitted herewith data for
Identification Order #1236 to be issued relative
to the above subject.

Kindly verify the fingerprint classifica-
tion, and use the attached photograph.

Very truly yours,

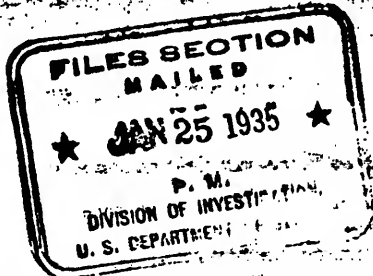
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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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CLASSIFICATION:

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WANTED:

HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases;
Dave Campbell, T. C. Blackburn, George L. Martin,
George Nelson, John Walcott, George Walcott,
George Winfield, George Swanson.

KIDNAPING

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DESCRIPTION

Age, 31 years
Height, 5 feet, 5 inches
Weight, 135 to 140 pounds
Build, medium
Hair, brown
Eyes, blue
Complexion, ruddy-medium
Marks, scar corner left eye,
vaccination scar upper left arm,
lame in right leg.
Teeth, decayed.

RELATIVES

George E. Campbell, father,
818 South Rockford Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Lissa Campbell, mother,
818 South Rockford Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Mickey Rheinsmith Campbell, wife,
123 East Crawford Street,
Pampa, Texas.
Pearl Campbell, Edith Campbell Majors, and
Laura Campbell, sisters,
818 South Rockford Street,
Tulsa, Oklahoma.
Mrs. Howard (Myrtle) McKeel, sister,
Kemp City, Texas.
Clarence Jack Campbell, brother,
Ranger, Texas.
Clell Campbell, brother,
Long Beach, California.

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CRIMINAL RECORD

As Harry Campbell, #1846,
arrested Police Department,
Tulsa, Oklahoma, December
25, 1920; charge investiga-
tion; fined \$19 and costs.
As Harry Campbell, #11056,
received State Penitentiary,
McAlester, Oklahoma, January
30, 1921, from Lincoln County,
Oklahoma; crime, bank robbery,
held for safe keeping; dis-
charged June 11, 1921 on
order of Court.
As Harry Campbell, #9420,
arrested Sheriff's Office,
Tulsa, Oklahoma, April 29,
1932; charge, burglary;
released on bond; case
pending.

Harry Campbell is wanted for the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer at
St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934. An indictment was returned by
the Federal Grand Jury at St. Paul, Minnesota on January 22, 1935, charging
Campbell and others with the kidnaping.

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Issued by:

Director.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 20, 1935

Mr. Baughman	.....
Chief Clerk	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
Mr. Edwards	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Harbo	.....
Mr. Keith	.....
Mr. Lester	.....
Mr. Quinn	.....
Mr. Schilder	.....
Mr. Tamm	.....
Mr. Tracy	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

Time - 11:30 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Agent Heffler telephoned me and stated that he had communicated with the New York Office and there ascertained that Agent Fierstone is still in New York; that Fierstone knew nothing of the plans to the effect that he was to proceed to Atlantic City, New Jersey. Mr. Fierstone told Mr. Heffler that he is under the impression that no one was sent from the New York Office.

I telephoned Mr. Fay at New York City and inquired ^{why} the squad of Agents had not been sent to Atlantic City. Mr. Fay stated that directly after my call to him, Agent Turrou had telephoned him advising him of the situation down at Atlantic City; that the information received indicated that the men were heading either toward Philadelphia or New York City. Mr. Fay stated that he has a number of his men at the present time guarding the tunnel and ferries and doing all they can there in New York. I told him that you had expected four hours ago that men from the New York Office were to be on the road to Atlantic City; that we have three or four of the Agents there who have been out of the training school only a short time, and a situation which will require the most skillful investigation; that there are two women in custody, a car abandoned and a large amount of baggage and guns which have to be taken care of; that fingerprints should be lifted from these items if possible.

I instructed Mr. Fay to immediately contact Mr. Fierstone and dispatch him with two or three good men to Atlantic City at once so that they might take charge of the situation there.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

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January 23, 1935.

Time-12:16 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

I telephoned Mr. Stanley and advised him that we succeeded in getting the indictment in St. Paul through yesterday; but that the United States Attorney in St. Paul has insisted that it be kept a secret.

I stated that I had talked with Assistant Director, Mr. Harold Nathan concerning the matter and he in turn talked with the United States Attorney, and the United States Attorney told him that it had always been his practice to keep the indictment a secret until after the persons were apprehended. I remarked that the criticism of this procedure was that any person who might lend aid or assistance to any of the persons indicted could not be charged with the violation of the law because the indictment was held secret.

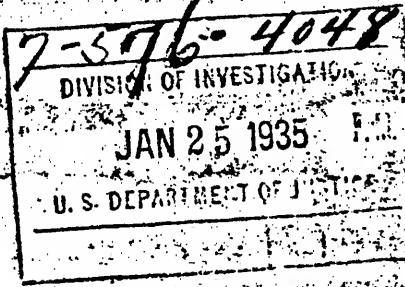
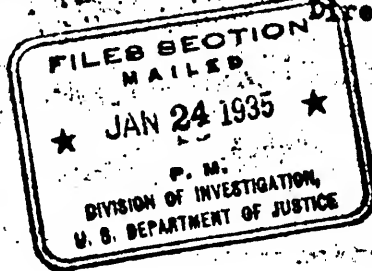
I told Mr. Stanley that since we had quite a number of these people in actual custody and still quite a number who were not yet in custody, and since it was no mystery that we were looking for those not yet apprehended; that I thought it would be a good thing if the United States Attorney were approached with a view to having the indictment made public.

Mr. Stanley stated that he would contact the United States Attorney immediately.

Very truly yours,
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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

AIR MAIL

January 24, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Fla.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,
with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim. Kidnaping.

Assistant United States Attorney George A. Heisey, St. Paul, Minnesota, called at this office this afternoon and suggested that the money and automobile which was previously obtained under subpoena duces tecum should be immediately removed from the State of Florida otherwise the property is still subject to attachment in that state. He stated that he knew of no particular purpose of bringing the automobile to St. Paul as there is a possibility that the value of same might be questioned at this time; however, the money should be shipped or otherwise conveyed to St. Paul and some suitable disposition made of the car.

With reference to the other articles such as rings, Mr. Heisey advised that he was issuing an additional subpoena this date.

Will you kindly take this matter up with the United States Marshal and cause the necessary arrangements to be made.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P. O. BOX 1156,
Omaha, Nebraska

January 24, 1935

Chief of Police,
Police Department,
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Sir:-

Recently, Special Agent O. C. Dewey, of this office, was loaned a copy of the palm prints of Clyde Wimerick, alias C. D. Harris, which prints were taken by your Department on December 29, 1931. I am returning the prints, herewith.

Please accept my thanks for the cooperation you have rendered in this matter.

Very truly yours,

WERNER HANF,
Special Agent in Charge

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Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. #1218;
et al. Edward George Bremer, Victim.
Kidnaping.

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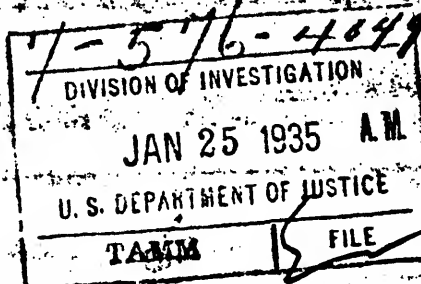
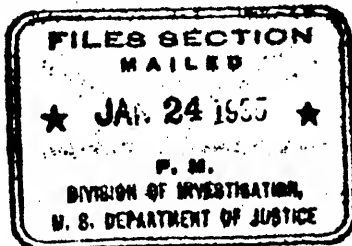
I telephoned Mr. Carusi and told him that it would be all right for the Attorney General to give out the story about the indictment issued in St. Paul at his Press Conference at 11:30 this morning. I stated that I had sent him a memorandum giving all the data and names; that, however, I had a carbon copy of the memorandum before me and would like to correct the spelling of the name of William Edward Widley to William Edward Widler.

J. E. H.

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Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Post Office Box 567
San Francisco, California

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases I.O. 1219
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1213
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O. 1232
ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

After the seige by Division Agents on January 16, 1935, on the house occupied by Fred Barker and Kate Barker at Oklawaha, Florida, which house was formerly also occupied by Harry Campbell and Wynona Gurdett, there was found therein, among other things, a pair of ladies' optical glasses wrapped in a piece of cloth advertising the Jenkel-Davidson Optical Company, with offices in San Francisco, San Jose, Oakland, Berkely and Alameda. The above mentioned glasses and wrapper are enclosed herewith and it is respectfully requested that your office conduct an appropriate investigation at the Jenkel-Davidson Optical Company in an effort to establish the identity of the purchaser of these glasses.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
Special Agent in Charge
(Special Assignment).

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Enclosures
CC Director
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Jan. 25, 1935

To D. Brantley, Division of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice

Street and No. 224 Federal Building, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Place

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Director,
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U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

ALVIN KARPIS WITH ALIASES -
I.O. 1218 et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Inclosed herewith are the fingerprints and a photo-
graph of DUKE RANDALL alias HENRY RANDALL alias HENRY STERN. 1/23/35

These are being forwarded in accordance with instructions
from the Jacksonville office which were received telegraphically
today.

Yours very truly,

J. H. Hanson
J. H. HANSON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

St. Paul, Minnesota.

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

REPORT MADE AT: Omaha, Nebraska.	DATE WHEN MADE: 1/26/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/23 to 25/35	REPORT MADE BY: J. R. CALHOUN - RMW
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I. O. 1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I. O. 1213 (Deceased); DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation at 2503 South 23rd Street, Omaha, Nebraska, disclosed that the correspondent of Mrs. Eugene Bowling of Salem, Arkansas, is her sister, Mrs. J. D. Welch, and that William Weaver, alias Phoenix Donald, is an uncle of Mrs. Welch's brother-in-law. Mrs. Welch knows nothing of whereabouts of Weaver, whom she has never seen.			
REFERENCE: Letter from Little Rock Office to Omaha Office, dated January 18th, 1935.			
DETAILS: It was learned that the present occupants of 2502 South 23rd Street at Omaha, Nebraska, are a Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Welch. Special Agent W. P. Ellwood ascertained from Mr. S. S. Rayner, of 1729 South 27th Street, the owner of the house at 2502 South 23rd Street, that Mr. and Mrs. Welch appeared to be a fine young couple and that Mr. Welch is in the poultry business at 1301 North 24th Street, Omaha. With Detectives Phelan and King, of the Omaha Police Department, this Agent made inquiry of a Mr. Dooley, who lives just south of the Welch home, and the photograph of William Weaver was exhibited to Mr. and Mrs. Dooley, but they stated that they had never seen this person in the neighborhood.			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>Werner Hanne</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	COPIES OF THIS REPORT FURNISHED TO: Division-5 E.J. Connelley, Chicago-2 St. Paul-2 Little Rock-2 Omaha-2 11 MAR 22 1935		RECORDED AND INDEXED: JAN 28 1935 JAN 29 1935 JACKETED: BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: STAT SECT

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An open interview was then had with Mrs. J. D. Welch, a young woman about twenty-two years of age. Mrs. Welch appears to be a young woman of good character and she stated that she and her husband had moved to Omaha about two months ago from Salem, Arkansas, and that her husband is working for his brother, Mr. E. P. Welch, who owns the Produce Distributors Company at 1301 North 24th Street. Mrs. Welch stated that she has a sister who married one Eugene Bowling at Salem, Arkansas, and that Eugene Bowling's mother is a sister to Phoenix Donald, who is also known as William Weaver. Mrs. Welch stated that she had never seen Phoenix Donald in her life and that she doubts that he has been in the vicinity of Salem, Arkansas. Mrs. Welch had lived in a country community all of her life until about two months ago.

Interview was had with Mr. E. P. Welch, owner of the Produce Distributors Company, and he stated that he left the vicinity of Salem, Arkansas, about fifteen years ago and that he is not acquainted with Eugene Bowling or Bowling's family. He was shown the photograph of Phoenix Donald and stated that he did not recall ever having seen him. Mr. E. P. Welch seemed to be a young man of good character.

Mr. J. D. Welch called at the Omaha Division Office and stated that his wife's sister had married Eugene Bowling at Salem, Arkansas, but that he knew very little concerning the Bowlings. He advised that Eugene Bowling's father was formerly Sheriff at Salem, Arkansas, and that to his knowledge the Bowling family bore a good reputation. Mr. Welch, himself, came from the little town of Elizabeth, which is about twenty-five miles in the country from Salem, Arkansas, and he was not personally acquainted with Eugene Bowling, although they are brothers-in-law. He was likewise shown the photograph of Phoenix Donald and stated that he did not recall ever having seen him. Mr. Welch stated that he had noted newspaper accounts of the Barker-Karpis gang and had noted the name of William Weaver, but had never before connected this man with anyone at Salem, Arkansas.

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minnesota

JAN 28 1935

FILE NO. 7-576-4052

REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Fla.	DATE WHEN MADE Jan. 25, 1935	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE Jan. 4-15, 1935	REPORT MADE BY R. A. Alt
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases—I. O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases—I. O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases—I. O. #1215; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases—I. O. #1232; ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Mrs. Arthur Radke at Knox Hotel, Tampa, Florida, was believed to be Doris O'Connor. Investigation at Tampa determined that Mrs. Radke is not Doris O'Connor. She is the wife of Arthur Radke, a gambler who has been visiting Tampa each year during this season for the past three years.</p>			
DETAILS: <p>On January 4, 1935 [redacted] a woman thirty-eight years of age, employed by the [redacted] United States Marshal in that city that two men and a woman were residing in the Knox Hotel for some time and were conducting themselves in such a way as to create suspicion. The woman was driving an automobile bearing 1934 California license tags 2H-6639. Investigation at this hotel by Special Agent F. F. Yearsley disclosed that the persons mentioned are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Radke and one R. Cooper. Agent Yearsley displayed the photograph of Doris O'Connor to [redacted] who stated that Mrs. Radke somewhat resembled Doris O'Connor, it being noted that the photograph of Doris O'Connor was taken in 1925. The Radke couple and R. Cooper were driving a Pontiac automobile bearing 1934 California license tags 2H-6639. The report of Special Agent W. R. Ramsey, Jr., of the San Francisco office, dated January 10, 1935, containing as a reference telegram from the Jacksonville office dated January 4, 1935, reflects that this license was issued to Mrs. Nora Radke, Willard Hotel, San Francisco, California, on January 19, 1934, for 1932 Oakland sedan.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED 	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES 7-576-4052 JAN 28 1935 A.M. JAN 23 1935	
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J. M. Major, Manager of the Knox Hotel, Tampa, and several other hotels, advised Agent Yearsley that Mr. and Mrs. A. Radke had been guests at the Knox Hotel each year at about the same season during the past three years; that these persons are followers of state fairs, carnivals, et cetera; they engage in gambling concessions; that is, Cooper and A. Radke do; the woman is engaged in fortune telling and other like activities. Agent Yearsley observed the Radke couple and R. Cooper and is quite positive that they are not persons wanted in connection with this case.

Agent Yearsley submitted to the Jacksonville office a lengthy memorandum in this case covering his activity. The information quoted in this report is the substance of his memorandum.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 2118
Detroit, Michigan
January 25, 1935

Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
et al., EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

I am inclosing herewith latent fingerprints
lifted by Special Agent in Charge William Larson from the
Plymouth coach of Dr. Horace H. Hunsicker of Allentown,
Pennsylvania, whose car was found abandoned near Monroe,
Michigan, Tuesday, January 22, 1935.

There is also inclosed a Graflex Film Pack which
contains exposures of latent fingerprints photographed
on this automobile by Mr. Larson. This film pack is
being forwarded to the Division in order to expedite the
developing of same so that a comparison may be made by
the Division to determine if the prints found on this
car are the impressions of Alvin Karpis, Harry Campbell,
or others connected with this case.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson
Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

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REPORT MADE AT: Indianapolis, Ind.	DATE WHEN MADE: 1-25-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1-18-35	REPORT MADE BY: F. E. HURLEY VLD
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="text-align: center;">No criminal record on subjects obtained at Louisville, Kentucky Police Department.</p>			
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 30%;"> <p>Reference: <i>(Circular stamp: RECEIVED, DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION, JAN 23 1935)</i></p> <p>Details: <i>(Circular stamp: DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION, JAN 23 1935)</i></p> </div> <div style="width: 65%;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Division letter dated 10-13-34. AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY</p> <p>Agent called on Captain S. S. Searcy and Sergeant Herbert Ashby, Bureau of Records and Identification, Police Department, Louisville, in compliance with instructions contained in Division letter dated October 13, 1934.</p> <p>A search was made in the police files of any arrest at Louisville or at any other known place of the several fugitives named in the Division letter in mind. No such records were found except recent circulars known to the Division. So far as fingerprint records and names are concerned, none of the several persons named in the Division letter has ever been arrested by the police at Louisville. Temporary circulars were left with the Sergeant for his file. In the event any of them are apprehended through the agency of the Police at Louisville, the Indianapolis office of the Division will be immediately notified. A full inquiry developed that none of the several persons named is wanted locally by the police at Louisville.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P E N D I N G</p> </div> </div>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>(Signature: H. H. Peirce)</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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U. S. Department of Justice
Bureau of Investigation

Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

January 25, 1935

Director,
Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. 1215
DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Dear Sir:

Kindly furnish the known criminal record of the following:

Name (inc. aliases)	City, Police Arrest, or Other Number.	Approximate Date Fingerprints forwarded Bureau of Investigation.	Fingerprint Classification.
(1) WILLIAM BRYAN BOLTON, aliases: Bryon Bolton, Monty Carter, Owen D. Carter, Owen Bernard Carter, Owen B. Carter, Monte Carter, "Andy", Andrew Allen, Byron Bolton.		January 9, 1935	
(7) ELMER FARMER		January 16, 1935	

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Very truly yours,

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M. H. PURVIS

Special Agent in Charge.

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February 7, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, I. O. 1232; et al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
Kidnaping.

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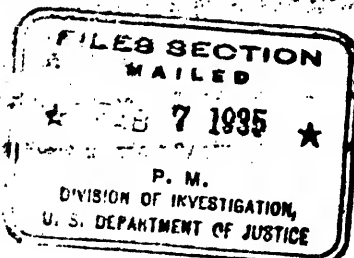
In reply to a communication received from the
Division Office, Chicago, Illinois, dated January 25, 1935,
requesting the criminal records of WILLIAM BRYAN BOLTON and
ELMER FARMER, there are transmitted herewith copies of the
criminal records of one Byron Bolton, our file #841188, and
one Elmer Farmer, our file #82348, as reflected by the finger-
print files of the Division of Investigation, who are probably
identical with the above individuals.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure #298138.

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P. O. Box 1276,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,
January 25, 1935.

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Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Please furnish this office immediately with
thirty-five (35) copies of the following Apprehension Order:

ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, A. O. #1219-329

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley
DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Department of Justice

Post Office Box 1887
Charlotte, North Carolina

January 26, 1935

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Please furnish this office with seven additional
copies of I. O. #1219 on Arthur R. Barker with aliases.

Very truly yours,

T. N. Stapleton

T. N. Stapleton,
Special Agent in Charge

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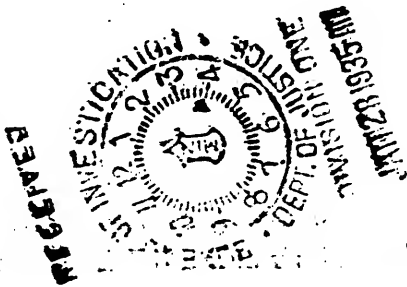
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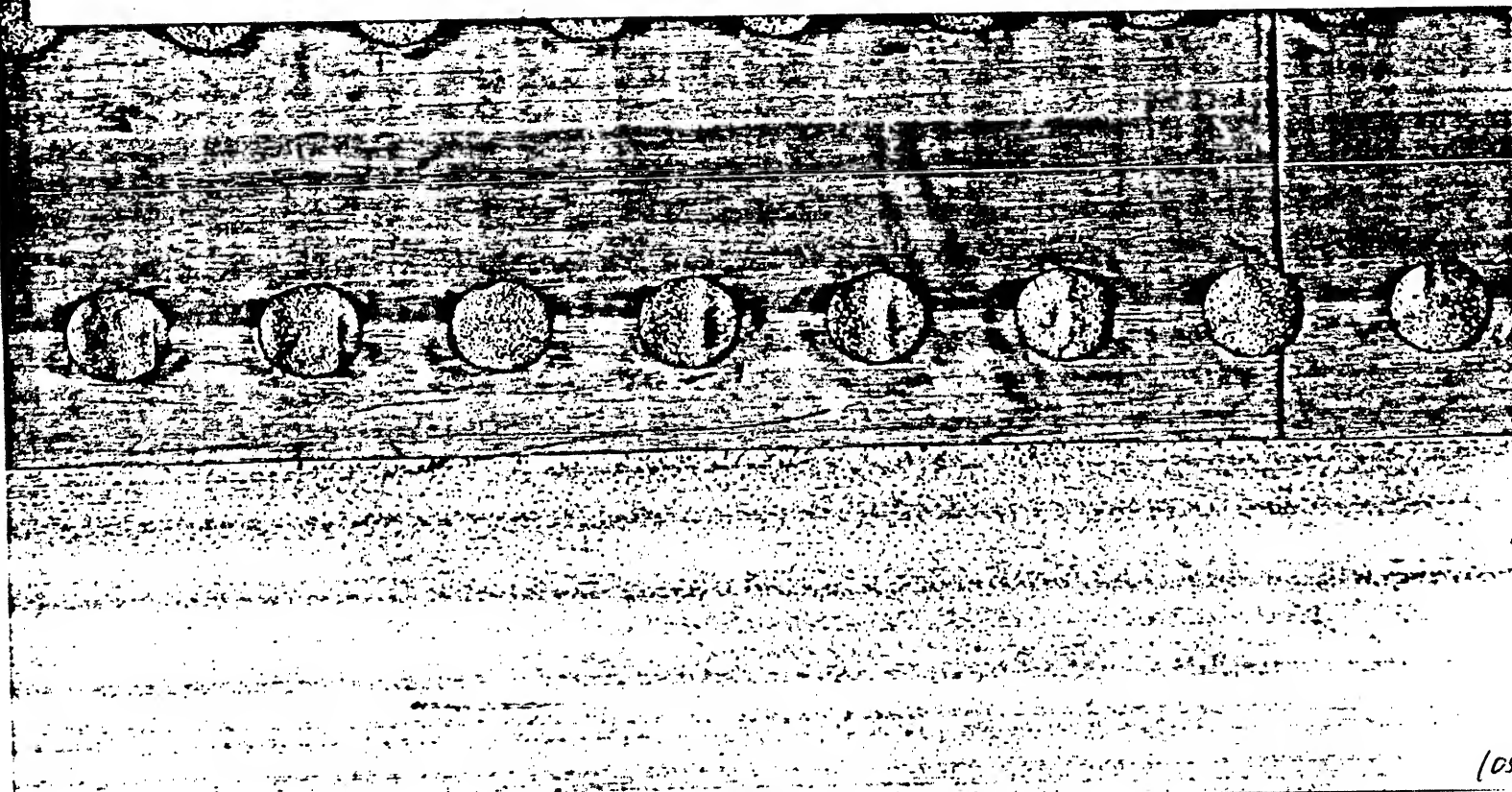


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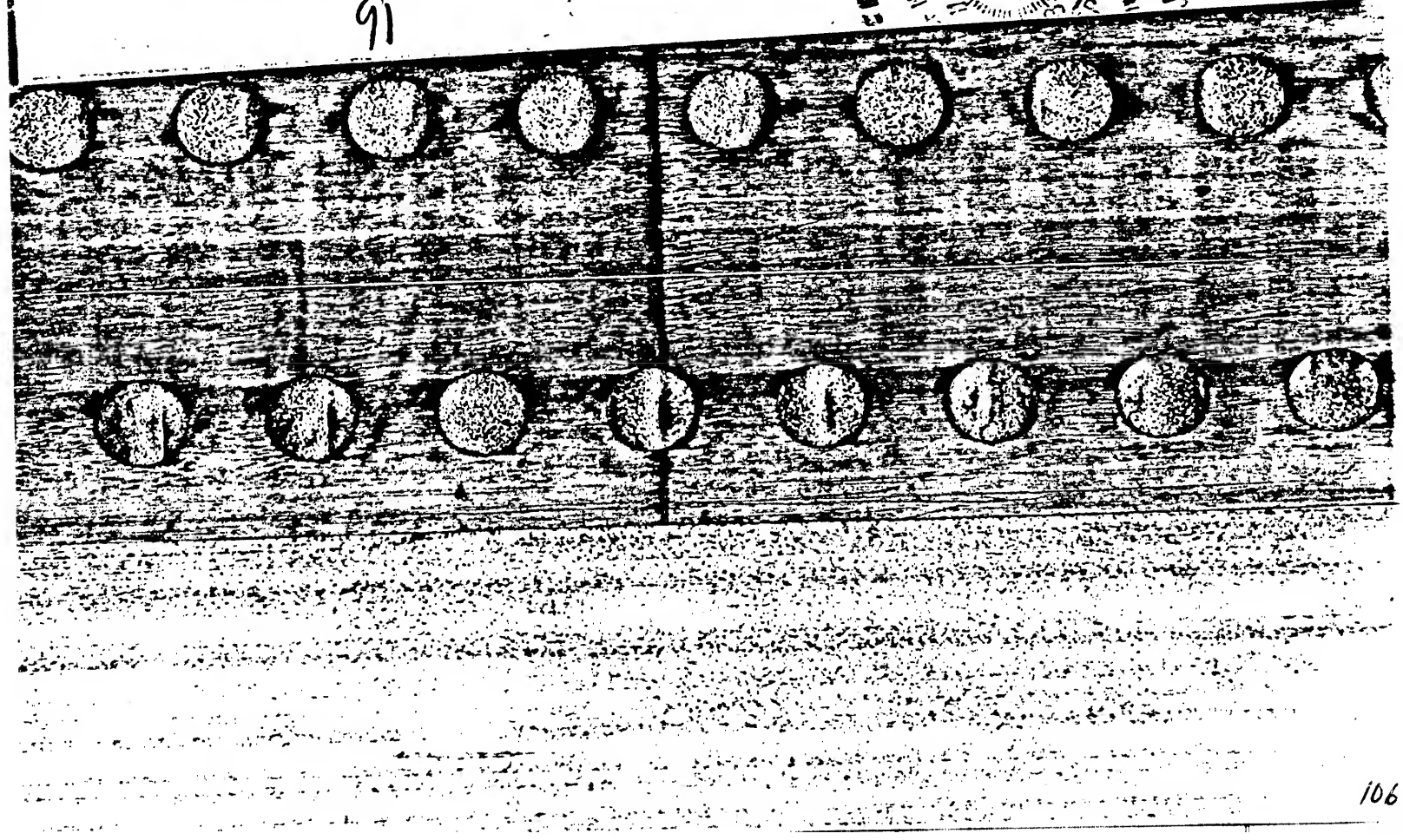
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BREKID HARLAN BILYEU WHO RESIDES NEAR OZARK MISSOURI STATES HARRY CAMPBELL AT HIS HOME TEN O'CLOCK MORNING OF JANUARY TWENTY THIRD ACCOMPANIED BY UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL DRIVING BLACK COUPE POSSIBLY CHEVROLET LICENSE UNKNOWN STOP BILYEU CLAIMS ACQUAINTED CAMPBELL APPROXIMATELY TWELVE YEARS AGO AND HAS NOT SEEN SINCE UNTIL THIS OCCASION STOP STATES CAMPBELL TALKED OF ATLANTIC CITY AFFAIR AND REQUESTED PRESENT LOCATION BILYEU'S BROTHER BEN WHO RESIDES SPRINGFIELD OKLAHOMA PENITENTIARY AND NOW REPORTED RESIDING SEMINOLE OKLAHOMA BILYEU PLAINTIFF IN WAR RISK CASE SUIT BEING BROUGHT BY GUARDIAN AND INVESTIGATION VETERANS ADMINISTRATION SHOWING MENTALLY INCOMPETENT STOP THIS OFFICE HAS PHOTOGRAPH ONE ROLAND J WILLIAMS LEAVENWORTH PENITENTIARY NUMBER ONE SEVEN SEVEN NINE ONE POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WILLIAMS REFERRED TO STOP BILYEU'S INFORMATION POSSIBLY UNFOUNDED BUT FURTHER INQUIRIES BEING MADE THIS DISTRICT AND SUGGEST APPROPRIATE INQUIRIES SEMINOLE REGARDING WILLIAMS WILL ADVISE ANY DEVELOPMENTS

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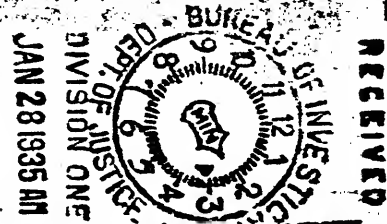
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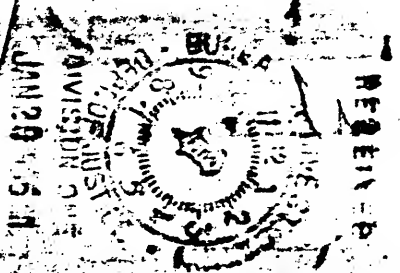
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Denver, Colo.
January 24, 1935



AIR MAIL

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
909 Federal Building,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
KIDNAPING

Confirming our telephone conversation of last evening,
please be advised that Special Agent W. J. L. Pieper
of this office, while at Casper, Wyoming, yesterday,
ascertained through Sheriff R. John Allen that Oscar
Felt, former Mayor of Evansville, Wyoming, who is re-
ported to be a very good friend of Subject Harry Camp-
bell, is now residing at 16534 Stoopel Street, Detroit,
Michigan.

The activities of Oscar Felt are mentioned in report
of Special Agent J. E. Swanson dated at Denver, Septem-
ber 21, 1934, a copy of which was furnished your office.

At this time it is considered possible that Karpis and
Campbell may endeavor to contact Felt in Detroit.
Every possible contact of Campbell at Casper and Evans-
ville, Wyoming, is being covered at this time.

Very truly yours,

JAY G. KEWAN
Special Agent in Charge

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 25, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
I.O.1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with
aliases, I.O.1219; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN with aliases, I.O.1232; ET AL;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
St. Paul File 7-30.

Mr. William Hamm, Jr. viewed Arthur R. Barker with
aliases at the Ramsey County Jail at St. Paul, Minnesota,
during the morning of January 25, 1935, in the presence of
Special Agent R. C. Coulter. After viewing Barker for some
ten or fifteen minutes, Mr. Hamm later stated that he could
not identify him as one of the persons who kidnapped him
in June, 1933. He did state, however, that there was a
possibility that Barker was one of the two smaller men; that
he remembered the driver of the car had black hair, but
could tell nothing in particular as to that individual's
height.

Later, during the same day, Roy McCord, who was
shot by an individual operating a machine gun, during the
early part of January, 1934, viewed Barker in the presence
of Special Agent J. E. Brennan of this office. He later
stated he was unable to identify Barker as the individual
who shot him, advising that he had not secured a good look
at the man's face at the time he was shot, although, he
stated, this man appeared to be short. While he did not
say so, he seemed to be convinced that Barker was not the
individual.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Laughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
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Mr. Lester.....
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Shortly after noon, United States Attorney George Sullivan advised that Jack De Courcy, who is a local attorney, made an affidavit and presented same to Federal Judge M. M. Joyce, setting out that a relative of Barker had called him on the telephone, instructing him to contact Barker and determine if he desired De Courcy's services. Mr. De Courcy previously advised Assistant Director Nathan and Agent Coulter that he did not learn the identity of the relative. Judge Joyce ordered that De Courcy be permitted to see Barker in the presence of a Special Agent from this office, for the purpose of determining whether Barker desired his services.

In connection with the above, Special Agent J. E. Brennan submitted the following memorandum:

"On the afternoon of January 25, 1935, Special Agent John E. Brennan, of the Division of Investigation, while at the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, received a telephone call from his office during which Special Agent R. C. Coulter informed him that an attorney named DeCoursey, of St. Paul, had filed an affidavit in the U. S. District Court to the effect that he had been retained to represent Arthur "Doc" Barker, who is at present confined in the County Jail; that the judge had issued an order to the effect that DeCoursey might interview Barker in the presence of an agent of the Division, such interview to be confined to ascertaining whether or not Barker desired to retain DeCoursey as his attorney.

"DeCoursey appeared at the County Jail and was accompanied to the cell block occupied by Barker where he introduced himself to Barker and stated that he had been unable to see him sooner as the Government would not allow him to see Barker, remarking that he supposed "these fellows", indicating Special Agent Brennan, apparently did not want him to represent Barker. Brennan stated that this was not the case, that in fact he knew of no one that he would

rather see represent Barker as the last time he had seen him represent any thieves was up in Duluth where they were all convicted. DeCoursey then stated that it would not be necessary that Barker retain him to represent him in this case but that he might be able to help him and he could get another lawyer later on if he, Barker, so desired. Barker remained silent. DeCoursey then said to Barker that he supposed he had told these fellows, indicating Brennan, all about it, and cautioned him to "tell them nothing." He stated that he could not disclose who had hired him to come up and see Barker as "this fellow (Brennan) and the bunch working with him, would go out and grab them and tell them to come home to their drunken father." He further stated that if Barker would hire him he could then have a private interview with him and that the question at this time was whether or not Barker would hire him. Barker stated that he needed a lawyer to handle a few matters for him and DeCoursey stated that was all he wanted to find out at this time and would see him again tomorrow as it would be Saturday. This concluded the conversation, DeCoursey stating that he wouldn't mind spending a week in a place like this so he could rest up."

United States Attorney Sullivan requested an immediate memorandum of the conversation between De Coursey and Barker, and after viewing same he stated that the facts possibly did not warrant De Coursey seeing Barker alone, as a State law gives officials authority to deny vicious prisoners the right to confer with attorneys except with reference to their case. This may not be the exact wording of the Statute, but is correct in substance, I believe.

The Division will be kept informed as to developments in regard to the above.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd
D. M. LADD, *ecc*
Special Agent in Charge.

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Director,
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U.S. Department of Justice,
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This will confirm my conversation this morning with Messrs. Tolson and Tamm of the Division and in harmony with the instructions issued, Special Agent W. L. Buchanan will remain at St. Louis to continue his plant next door to the home of the parents of subject Willie Harrison in the Bremer kidnaping case, and will not depart for Chicago at this time.

Very truly yours,

R. E. Vetterli

R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge.

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January 25, 1935

Director,
Division of Investigation,
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. 1213;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases,
I.O. 1232; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to the telephone conversation between Mr. Tamm of the Division and Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, Chicago Division Office, on January 17, 1935, during the course of which Mr. Tamm advised that the Division had received an anonymous letter from Chicago advising that Dr. Moran, subject in the above-entitled case, is presently associated with one Dr. Wells at 64th and Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, using the name of Dr. Mason.

Investigation conducted by Special Agents A. A. Muzzey and J. T. McLaughlin on January 24, 1935 disclosed that Dr. H. Eugene Wells, osteopath, located at 6420 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is the only doctor by that name in the vicinity of 64th and Cottage Grove Avenue. Discreet inquiry was made in that vicinity and it was ascertained from postal carrier #3745, A. Kiser, of the Jackson Park Postal Station, and from Harry Simons, a locksmith, having his place of business at 6420 Cottage Grove Avenue, and at Walgreen's Drug Store, on the corner of 64th and Cottage Grove Avenue, that Dr. Wells has been engaged in the practice of osteopathy in the vicinity of 64th and Cottage Grove Avenue for eighteen years, and that he bore a wonderful reputation in that section; that at one time he was associated with a Dr. Mason at 6414 Cottage Grove Avenue, but that Dr. Mason has not been with Dr. Wells for approximately three years.

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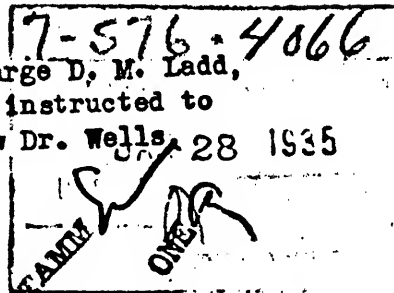
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Agents communicated with Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, informing him of the reputation of Dr. Wells, and were instructed to conclude discreet investigation and to openly interview Dr. Wells, 28 1935

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Dr. Wells, upon interview, stated that he had been engaged in the practice of osteopathy in the vicinity of 64th and Cottage Grove Avenue for eighteen years; that approximately three and one-half years ago one Robert J. Mason, M.D., shared offices with him at 6414 Cottage Grove Avenue; that Dr. Mason was more or less a habitual drunkard, and that Dr. Wells severed his business association with Dr. Mason as a result of Dr. Mason's drunken escapades. Dr. Wells further advised that he has not seen Dr. Mason for three and one-half years, and that the last time he heard from him was Christmas, 1933, when he received a Christmas card from Dr. Mason, postmarked Santa Monica, California. It is Dr. Wells' opinion that Dr. Mason is still in Santa Monica, California.

A photograph of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, subject, was shown to Dr. Wells, and he emphatically stated that Dr. Mason was not Dr. Moran; that Dr. Mason is approximately forty-seven years of age, very small in stature, married, and has a family of three children. Dr. Wells further advised that he has never seen anyone answering to the photographic appearance of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

Dr. Wells was very cooperative and considerate in the interview conducted by Agents, and stated that in the event he secured any information relative to Dr. Moran, or in the event that the Government desired to interview him further, he would gladly come to the Chicago Office.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.
Special Assignment.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Ladd called from Chicago and stated that a situation had arisen between the Division and the Chicago Police regarding the Gibson woman; that her lawyer was contacted and Mr. Ladd advised him that before she was released the police wanted to talk to her; that the police want to talk to her but not at the office; that they want the Gibson woman turned over to them. I advised Mr. Ladd to tell Mrs. Gibson that the Chicago Police have demanded of us that she be turned over to them and, we, as a law enforcement agency, have to cooperate with them; that the lawyer should be present at the time Mrs. Gibson is advised; that after she is turned over to the police he can take any steps desired; that anything happening thereafter would be between the police and her lawyer.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
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Miss Gandy.....

I am transmitting herewith a memorandum outlining the activities in the Bremer case in the vicinity of Atlantic City yesterday.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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Information developed in Miami, Florida by Special Agents of the Division of Investigation, conducting inquiries into the location of members of the Karpis mob, who perpetrated the Bremer kidnaping, resulted in the obtaining of information that Alvin Karpis and his paramour, Dolores Delaney, had been residing there but had departed on January 16, 1935. It was further learned that Karpis had been driving a 1935 Buick Tudor sedan, bearing Florida 1935 license plates D-53006. The Division transmitted to all police agencies by broadcast and teletype message, information concerning the recent whereabouts of Karpis and his disappearance, together with a complete description of the car which he had been using in Miami, Florida. As a result of the broadcast of this information the police at Atlantic City, New Jersey located the above described car at the Coast garage in Atlantic City and ascertained that the persons placing the car in the garage were staying at the Danmore Hotel in Atlantic City. The Atlantic City police approached the rooms reported to be occupied by the individuals sought, at approximately 6:30 A.M. and called upon the occupants of the rooms to surrender. Gun fire answered their demands and two men later identified as Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, the latter also a member of the Barker-Karpis gang, who actually participated with other members of the gang in the kidnaping of Bremer, emerged from the room and running down four flights of stairs, made their exit through the back entrance of the Danmore Hotel. Karpis and Campbell fired as they ran and one of the shots of Karpis passed through the wall of one of the hotel rooms and entered the right leg of Dolores Delaney. Subsequent investigation developed that Wynona Burdette, paramour of Harry Campbell, had also accompanied these individuals from Miami, Florida to Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Karpis and Campbell, after leaving the Danmore Hotel, approached the garage, where they had left the Buick sedan, but observing police officers near the garage, they then stole a 1935 Pontiac Tudor coach, bearing 1935 New Jersey license plates A-3073. This was a comparatively new car, having been driven but 1500 miles. Karpis and Campbell continued firing at the officers who returned the fire, and in the meanwhile, the two women, Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette, came out of the hotel, evidently in search of Karpis and Campbell. Karpis and Campbell, in the Pontiac sedan, circled the block where the hotel was located, evidently confused by the dead-end streets which enter the boardwalk. They passed police officers several times while making this circle, shooting at the officers on each occasion and the officers state that they returned the fire. A police patrol car attempted pursuit but was unsuccessful. The car bearing Karpis and Campbell was last seen proceeding west on Pacific Avenue in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Wynona Burdette and Dolores Delaney were taken into custody by the Atlantic City police, and subsequently turned over to the Division of Investigation. They have been taken to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where they are presently being detained. Charges of harboring Alvin Karpis, for whom a warrant has been issued in

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connection with the Bremer case at St. Paul, Minnesota, will be filed against them. It may be noted that Dolores Delaney is in a pregnant condition and is on the verge of giving birth to a child.

Since the apprehension of the Burdette and Delaney women, it has been learned that Campbell and the Burdette woman left Ponca City, Oklahoma in November, 1934 and drove to Fred Barker's place at Oklawaha, Florida, arriving there about December 1, 1934. It was at this place that Fred and Ma Barker were killed in a gun battle with Division Special Agents on January 17, 1935. Campbell and Wynona Burdette proceeded to Miami, Florida on January 9, 1935, where they remained with Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney until January 16, when they proceeded to Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, it has been learned, drove from Miami, Florida to Atlantic City, New Jersey in the 1935 Buick sedan described above. Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette proceeded by train from Miami to Atlantic City.

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MEMORANDUM

On Sunday morning, January 20, 1935, the Atlantic City, New Jersey police encountered Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell in the Hotel Danmore, 123 S. Kentucky Avenue, where they were registered under the names of Camerson and Carson. A gun battle ensued and Karpis and Campbell escaped. They were residing with Delores Delaney and Wynona Burdette. These two women were taken into custody and turned over to the Division of Investigation for questioning.

Delores Delaney is a sister of Jean Delaney, who, on June 11, 1934, was sentenced in the United States District Court, Madison, Wisconsin, to serve one year and one day for violation of her parole. Jean Delaney had previously been convicted on charges of harboring Tommie Carroll, a notorious Dillinger outlaw. Investigation disclosed that Delores Delaney maintained apartments in Chicago, Illinois, where she was frequently visited by Alvin Karpis. After the arrest of several individuals in Chicago for exchanging Bremer ransom money, she and Alvin Karpis proceeded to Toledo, Ohio and thence to Cleveland, Ohio and after the arrest on September 5, 1934, of Wynona Burdette, a paramour of Harry Campbell, Gladys Sawyer, wife of Harry Sawyer and Paula Harmon, paramour of Fred Barker, she and Alvin Karpis proceeded to Miami, Florida. After the shooting of Fred Barker and his mother, "Kate" Barker, Karpis and Delores Delaney left Miami with Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette and proceeded to Atlantic City, where they were located as heretofore related. Wynona Burdette and Harry Campbell have been traveling together for the past two years. They became associated with the Barker-Karpis gang during November of 1933 at Reno, Nevada and have continued to associate with them since that time.

Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell are wanted by the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, in connection with the kidnapping of Edward G. Bremer, at St. Paul, Minnesota, on January 17, 1934.

Wynona Burdette has no criminal record other than the arrests set out above.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 26, 1935

Time - 6:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

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Miss Gandy.....

I called Mr. Nathan relative to the press dispatches emanating from St. Paul concerning the report of the killing of John Hamilton at East St. Paul to ascertain whether there is any current story in St. Paul on this subject at the present time. Mr. Nathan stated that the story concerning the death of John Hamilton has been "common property" in East St. Paul since last Spring, when a day after the Little Bohemia affair a car was found in East St. Paul which bore a bullet hole at a point where a man's back would rest against the seat and a considerable quantity of blood. The story has been brought out there on several occasions that this car was that of John Hamilton's and the story gained new life some few weeks ago when two individuals reported that they had found Hamilton's grave. You will recall that Special Agents interviewed these people and endeavored to locate the grave, but its discoverers were unable to again find it. A complete memorandum upon this subject matter will be submitted to you on Monday morning.

I talked with Mr. Nathan concerning the possibility of having an Agent present when Doc Barker's attorney interviews him, and Mr. Nathan stated that the court order under which the attorney is permitted to see Barker states that no Division representative can be within hearing distance during the interview because of the confidential relations between attorney and client. Mr. Nathan stated, however, that an Agent stays within sight of the attorney at all times. Mr. Nathan stated that the jailers are not within this court order, and it might be possible for the jailers to overhear the conversations and advise us of their import. He stated that he would see what could be done along this line.

Mr. Nathan also advised that the Associated Press had just called him stating that they have a story stating that Doc Barker was beaten and scarred while in our custody. Mr. Nathan advised the Associated Press that he knew that no newspaper men had interviewed Barker. The Associated Press stated that they could not disclose the source of their information, but Mr. Nathan has informed them that they are undoubtedly receiving their information from Doc Barker's Attorney.

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Mr. Nathan stated that the Associated Press asked if he had any comment to make concerning this statement of Doc Barker, and Mr. Nathan stated that the statement was "absurd" and that was all the comment he would make to them concerning it.

Respectfully,



E. A. TAMM

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer kidnaping case

The developments during the past week in the above case were the returning of the indictments in St. Paul, Minnesota on January 22, 1935 charging 19 persons and three persons whose identities as yet are unknown with the kidnaping of Bremer; the apprehension of Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette at Atlantic City, New Jersey, and the taking into custody of Henry Randall on charges of harboring Alvin Karpis who escaped from the police at Atlantic City, New Jersey on January 20, 1935.

Respectfully,

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

This is to advise you that while talking with Mr. Brien McMahon on the evening of January 17th, at which time he took occasion to compliment the Division for its work in connection with the Barker-Karpis case, he stated he was of the opinion that on account of the severe pressure under which you had been placed, in order to safeguard your health, he thought you should take a vacation. He then stated that there were very few, if any, Federal agencies which functioned as smoothly and efficiently as the Division. He followed this statement by stating that he thought we made a mistake by requesting the training school in session during the month of December to report for duty Christmas Eve.

I informed Mr. McMahon that I differed with him on this point for the reason that these trainees were shortly to be sent to the field offices as Special Agents which would require them from time to time to function under rather difficult circumstances and that it was well known and the trainees were so advised before entering the service that they would be called upon on some occasions to endure rather severe hardships and that hardships were merely a part of the investigative functions of the Division. I further took occasion to inform him that the only way an investigative organization such as this could be successfully operated was by training men at the very outset in order not to give them the idea that the training school operated by the Division was merely a repetition of their college days.

Mr. McMahon then mentioned that possibly after another year he would sever his connections with the Department and stated he would like to enter the general practice of law in Chicago, informing me that he had several contacts in that city and thought it would be a field where a young man could progress rather rapidly.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn.

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Department of Justice
Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

January 28, 1935.

Director,
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Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:- Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases,
I.O. 1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases,
I.O. 1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with
aliases, I.O. 1232; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Enclosed herewith is a deck of playing cards
found in the house occupied by Fred and Kate Barker at
Lake Weir, Oklawaha, Florida.

It is requested that these cards be examined
for latent fingerprints.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.
Special Assignment.

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Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

January 28, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
414 Philadelphia Savings Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,
with aliases, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to your telephone call of January 28, 1935, in connection with 1935 Buick Coach, motor #4,949,155, serial #2,783,525, which is presently in possession of James A. McMannan, of Atlantic City, New Jersey, and which was purchased from the Younger Buick Company, Miami, Florida, under the name of Leroy Morrison, please be advised that I discussed the matter with Assistant United States Attorney George A. Heisey about issuing a subpoena duces tecum on the Chief of Police of Atlantic City to produce the car and he advised that under the circumstances the car could not be possibly used as evidence and as it appears that the police of Atlantic City do not wish to cooperate, it is his opinion that they could successfully combat producing the car in St. Paul on the above referred to writ inasmuch as some authorities hold that it only relates to the production of papers, books and similar matters.

He further advised that if the Chief of Police should comply with the writ and produces the automobile in St. Paul, there would be no possible way in which the Government could take possession of it, if the police would not voluntarily release it at that time. He stated, after viewing the facts, that if the police would fight the order, the Government's position would be a rather absurd one in this case and at this time he did not feel inclined to issue such a writ.

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D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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Special Agent in Charge,
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Post Office Box 232,
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Dear Sir:-

RE:

ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I.O. 1219
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I. O. 1215
MR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O.
1232; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Please arrange to have issued immediately another subpoena,
directed to Coroner L. E. Fitch, Marion County, Ocala, Florida,
covering the following property:

- 1 Open face Howard Watch, Movement No. 7472,
manufactured by E. Howard Watch Company,
Boston, Mass., marked 21 J. in Keystone case
No. 1569139.

This watch was found in the watch pocket of
Fred Barker's trousers when he was killed at
Lake Weir on January 16, 1935.

- 1 Gentleman's white gold ring, set with about
1 carat diamond.

This diamond was taken from Fred Barker's finger
after he was killed.

- 1 White gold narrow wedding ring, set with seven
(7) very small diamonds.

- 1 White gold ring, set with one, about 1/2 carat
diamond, with a small diamond on each side.

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- 1 White gold lady's solitaire, set with a diamond apparently weighing about four (4) carats.

The latter three rings were taken from the fingers of Kate Barker, after she was killed on January 16, 1935.

- 1 small yellow gold ring, marked on inside "C.H.B. 14K."

This latter ring was found in the pocket book of Kate Barker, by Special Agent C. A. Whitten when it was searched in the Jacksonville Office on January 20, 1935.

All of the rings and watch mentioned herein were turned over to me by Special Agent in Charge, T. W. Stapleton, of the Charlotte Division Office on January 20, 1935, and are presently being stored in the safe in the Jacksonville Division Office.

It will be appreciated if you will expedite the issuance of this subpoena, so that this property can be turned over to the United States Marshal, the same as was done with the currency and Buick Coupe automobile found in possession of the Barkers at Lake Weir near Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16, 1935.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - 2 - Division
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1 - E. J. Connelley
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Ill.



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J. M. Hanson,
Alcazar Hotel,
Miami, Florida.

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In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, (Deceased)
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.
1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

There is transmitted herewith a copy of indictment No. 28342, returned on September 6, 1934, by the Federal Grand Jury of the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, against Louis P. Piquett, Wilhelm Loemer with aliases, Harold Bernard Cassidy with aliases and Arthur W. O'Leary with alias, on a charge to harbor Homer Van Meter, Federal fugitive from justice, in violation of Section 88, title 18, U. S. Code. in that they unlawfully conspired to violate Section 141 of the criminal code of the United States (18 U.S.C. 246).

Special Assistant to the Attorney General Albert Woll informed Special Agent V. W. Peterson of this office that the indictment is objectionable in certain places, for example, on page two from line five to fifteen the indictment alleges that the conspirators had knowledge of the issuance of a Federal warrant, but there is no direct allegation that a Federal warrant had in fact been issued. Mr. Woll states that a direct allegation that a Federal warrant had been issued for the arrest of Homer Van Meter should have been directly alleged in the indictment. On line 16, page two, of said indictment it is alleged that the conspirators "unlawfully did harbor or conceal the said Homer Van Meter". The disjunctive should be changed to conjunctive and the indictment should allege harbor and conceal.

For your additional information, there is also forwarded herewith indictment No. 28344, returned in the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, on September 10, 1934, which charges that William Francis Finerty, Ella Finerty and Marie Marion Conforti conspired to harbor Homer Van Meter, who was a Federal fugitive from justice. The same suggestions related above with reference to the indictment returned against Louis Piquett and

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others applies to indictment 28344. An attempt was made to obtain briefs prepared by the United States Attorney, but no briefs were available.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.
(Special Assignment)

VWP:MO

cc-Division
Jacksonville
St. Paul

P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 26, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. # 1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. # 1219;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. # 1232;
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING. St. Paul File No. 7-30.

Referring to your telegram of the 25th instant, there is attached hereto certified copy of an indictment against ALVIN KARPIS alias ALVIN KARPIS; ARTHUR R. BARKER alias "DOC" BARKER, and others, which was filed in the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota, Third Division, on May 4, 1934, charging violation of the Act of Congress approved June 22, 1932, Chapter 271, 47 stat. 325; Sec. 408a, Title 18, U.S.C.A., together with a bench warrant issued by the Honorable Matthew M. Joyce, District Judge at St. Paul, on May 4, 1934 for ALVIN KARPIS alias ALVIN KARPIS, and the return on this bench warrant made by the United States Marshal Bernard Anderson by his deputy J. J. Picha on May 7, 1934. There is also attached a typewritten copy of the above documents, which is also certified as a true copy of the original.

It will be noted that no indictment was outstanding against FRED BARKER, and that no process whatsoever was outstanding against HARRY CAMPBELL prior to January 16, 1935.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Division
CC E. J. Connelley

AIR MAIL.



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January 24, 1975

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases--I. O. #1218;
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim;
KIDNAPING

Receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of January 22, 1935, in which you state that you are advised that the local photographer took photographs of the interior of your home in Oklawaha, Florida, and that a Division agent when recently in Ocala assured you that such pictures were made for Government use exclusively, and that now you learn that the photographer who made the pictures is disposing of them by sale, to which you object, requesting that this Division take the necessary action to immediately stop the sale of the photographs.

Very truly yours,

Jax #7-24

U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

RAA:MFS

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

January 28, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. #1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I.O. #1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases - I.O. #1213;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I.O. #1232;
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

This will confirm my telephone conversation with Mr. Tamm
this morning, when I advised that the United States District Judge,
Louis W. Strum, had declined to sign Court order condemning and
turning over to the Division, Buick Coupe, Motor No. 2884746, which
was seized by Agents at Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16, 1935.

Judge Strum stated to the United States Attorney that he
was reluctant to sign the order unless the procedure was provided
for by Statute. He requested the United States Attorney to com-
municate with the Department in Washington, requesting that they
cite authorities for this procedure, or furnish the United States
Attorney with established precedents for this action.

Assistant United States Attorney William A. Paisley,
assured the writer that he would immediately communicate with the
Department, requesting that he be furnished with the requested
information.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - St. Paul
Chicago
E. J. Connelley, Cgo

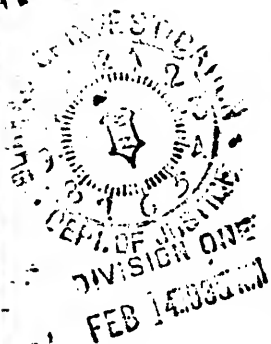
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DIRECTOR

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January 26, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:20 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Larson called from Toledo in connection with the Bremer case, with particular reference to the situation at Toledo and Cleveland. They are covering seven telephones in Toledo now, six men being assigned to this detail, three on each shift. Larson stated he has four men with him at Toledo and five men at Cleveland; that it takes two men on a shift at Cleveland, or four men a day over there; that there are only two men left in the office and, if possible, it would be advisable to send in at least two men at Cleveland and three to Toledo, in order that he can send some of them with him now back to the office. I advised Mr. Larson that there are no Agents available, but that I would convey his request to you.

Mr. Larson stated it looks as if the taps on the telephones at Cleveland may develop something; that the man Heberbrand has been in direct touch with them and he got a couple of calls from Florida last night, which did not seem extremely significant to the case, except that one man was called Cash, and it has been definitely determined that he is now in Havana, Cuba; that Mr. Connelley is having the Agents down there cover him.

Larson furnished the following information concerning the taps which have been placed:

At the Harvard Club, Cleveland, operated by Heberbrand, there are three telephones, Michigan 6735, 6736, and 8250, under surveillance, in addition to the home telephone of James J. Patton, who usually goes by the name of "Shimmie", Clearwater 4777. These are the four telephones on which taps are being maintained at Cleveland.

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At Toledo the taps are as follows:
or frequented

The Casino Club, run by Pat and Bert Angus, Pontiac 2079;
The Flower Pharmacy, two pay stations, Jefferson 0242, & 0264;
(two women intimates of these men live over this store and they
have called from these telephones whenever they are there);
x R. & K. Cigar Store, a "bookie" place, run by a man named Nig
x Cousins, who is a definite contact with these men, in which
there are two telephones Main 0344 and Adams 7023;
Sam Feldstein, with whom Nig Cousins lives, telephone Main 8583;
The Mayfair Apartments, where Bert Angus lives, Main 0785.

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Mr. Larson advised that he is at the Commodore Perry
Hotel, Room 1432.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

EAT:TAM

January 21, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

I called Mr. Fay at 7:30 A.M. on January 20th and advised him that the Atlantic City Police Department had located the Buick sedan which Alvin Karpis had been driving in Miami, Florida. I instructed Mr. Fay to have an experienced agent take a squad of men to Atlantic City immediately, to conduct the necessary investigation there and if possible to locate and apprehend Karpis. Mr. Fay stated that he would send Agent Fierstone in charge of this squad. Shortly thereafter I learned of the shooting which had taken place in Atlantic City and informed Mr. Heffler, Acting in Charge of the Philadelphia Office, that experienced Agents were enroute to Atlantic City to conduct the necessary investigation, but that he could augment this force by sending four Agents from the Philadelphia Office to Atlantic City. I advised Mr. Heffler that since there would be an experienced man in charge of this squad and experienced agents dispatched from New York, the fact that all of the men in the Philadelphia Office were comparatively new would not jeopardize the investigation.

At 11 A.M. I learned from Mr. Heffler in Philadelphia that he had been in telephonic communication with the New York Office and had learned that Fierstone was then in the office and did not know anything about the instructions to proceed to Atlantic City. I contacted Mr. Fay by telephone and he stated that in view of subsequent information reaching him in this case he had concluded it would be unnecessary to send Agents to Atlantic City and had failed to notify the Division.

E. A. Tamm

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January 26, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
New York, New York.

Dear Sir:

On the morning of January 20, 1935 at approximately 7:30 A.M., a Division official instructed you to immediately dispatch a group of Agents under the supervision of Special Agent C. K. Fierstone, to Atlantic City, New Jersey, in order to conduct appropriate investigation into the facts surrounding the gun battle between Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell and members of the Atlantic City Police Department. Despite these Division instructions, you not only failed to send Special Agents to Atlantic City, but likewise did not notify the Division of your disinclination to carry out the Division's instructions. Your failure to issue the necessary instructions in this matter resulted in a delay of at least four hours in initiating proper investigation in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

While I realize that you have assumed full responsibility for this occurrence, stating that it was an oversight on your part, I must again emphasize the absolute necessity for minutely carrying out Division instructions in all cases.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **St. Paul, Minnesota.**

FILE NO. **7-576-4121**

REPORT MADE AT Indianapolis, Indiana	DATE WHEN MADE 1/25/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/25/35	REPORT MADE BY Z. J. VanLandingham, SJC
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232; RUSSELL GIBSON, I.O. #1213; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE K I D N A P I N G
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Elmer Grier, bartender, Harrison Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind., advises he was associated as bartender with Wm. J. Harrison at Calumet City, Ill., for about 7 months in 1926. Harrison then set up a saloon of his own at Calumet City, Ill. Grier left Calumet City and did not see Harrison again until 1932 when Grier was working as bartender at 6714 Stony Island Ave., Chicago, Ill. Advises he last saw Harrison in April, 1934. He states he never associated with him but merely knew him when he came to the bar for an occasional drink. He states Harrison has two brothers who are professional golfers at some country club in St. Louis, Mo. Harrison supposed to have gone to Miami, Fla., in early part of 1934 to bet at the dog races.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>Reference: Report of Special Agent R. B. Brown, Chicago, Ill., 1/8/35.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p><u>AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA</u></p> <p>Reference report indicates on Page 16 that Elmer Grier, bar tender at Harrison Hotel, Indianapolis, Indiana, was a former associate of William J. Harrison. Agent made inquiries of Mr. G. F. Warren, manager of the Harrison Hotel, Indianapolis, who advised that Elmer Grier was at present</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><small>DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES</small></p>			
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ployed as bartender at that hotel. He stated that Grier had come highly recommended from Picadilly Pub, Chicago, Illinois. He advised that he knew nothing of Grier other than he had been highly recommended; that as far as he knew this man was reliable and honest. He stated that Grier had been employed about three months at the Harrison Hotel and that he worked from 5:00 P.M. until 1:00 A.M.

Agent located Mr. Grier at Apartment 214, 1005 North Pennsylvania Avenue, Indianapolis. Mr. Grier voluntarily accompanied Agent to the Indianapolis Division Office for questioning. Elmer Grier is 46 years of age and has very thin gray hair, weighs about 135 pounds, 5 feet 8½ inches tall, has gray eyes, and a thin face. Grier stated that he first became acquainted with William J. Harrison in 1926 when both were employed as bartenders at the First Ward Club. He advised that they worked together at this club for six or seven months and that Harrison then quit and set up a saloon of his own about one block west of the First Ward Club at Calumet City, Illinois. Mr. Grier stated that he continued to work at the First Ward Club for approximately two years. He advised that he never was a close associate of Harrison and did not know any of his close associates or girl friends. He stated that Harrison stayed at the Savoy Hotel of Calumet City, Illinois. Mr. Grier informed Agent that he thought all of the saloon keepers around Calumet City, Illinois, ought to know William J. Harrison and he thought that some possibly knew where he was at the present time. Grier stated that when he left Calumet City he went to San Francisco, California, and there worked as steward on the Union Pacific Railroad for about a year. He advised that he then went to Washington, D. C., and worked as a steward on the Sea Board Air Lines. In May, 1930, Mr. Grier went to Los Angeles, California, and again worked as steward on the Union Pacific Railroad for about two years. He advised that he came to Chicago the summer of 1932 and obtained a job as bartender at the Slitz Gardens, 6714 Stoney Island Avenue, Chicago, Illinois. He advised that he held this job for about six months and that during this time William J. Harrison frequented this place quite often. Mr. Grier, however, stated that he knew none of the associates of Harrison though he frequently came in with other men, but that he never did see him with any women at this place; he knew of no women associates of Harrison. Neither did Mr. Grier know where Harrison lived while in Chicago, Illinois, nor what business he was supposed to be engaged in. He advised that his only association with him was an occasional drink at the bar and that Harrison never discussed any of his business or associates with Grier. Mr. Grier stated that he went to Washington, D. C., about December, 1933, and worked on the Sea Board Air Lines for about four months, and that he then returned to the Slitz Gardens, 6714 Stoney Island

Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and worked for about two weeks. He stated that he again saw William J. Harrison at this address and that he last saw him about April, 1934. He stated that Harrison said either that he had been at the dog track at Miami, Florida where he was engaged with the betting machines or that he was going to this place. Mr. Grier stated that he had never seen Harrison since this time and did not know whether Harrison had been down in Florida. Grier said that he had never seen Harrison in any other place other than Calumet City, Illinois, or the address given in Chicago. Mr. Grier advised that he worked at the Picadilly Pub before accepting his present job at Indianapolis, Indiana. He stated, however, that he had never seen Harrison around the Picadilly Pub. Mr. Grier advised that he had never corresponded with Harrison and that they were not close friends but merely acquaintances. He advised that he did not think Harrison would attempt to get in touch with him as he knew of no reason why he should. Mr. Grier advised that he had never seen Harrison in Indianapolis nor any of the men he had seen Harrison associated with at Chicago, Illinois, or Calumet City, Illinois, here. Pictures of the Karpis-Barker gang were exhibited to Mr. Grier but he did not recognize any as being men whom he had seen Harrison associated with. Mr. Grier was given the address and telephone number of the Indianapolis Office and he stated that he would gladly cooperate by advising if Harrison ever appeared in Indianapolis or if any one whom he had ever seen associated with Harrison should appear here. Grier stated that he was planning on going to Gary, Indiana, and Chicago, Illinois, on the following Sunday for a couple of days. He stated that he would make discreet inquiries at Gary, which was an old hang-out place of Harrison, and also at Chicago in attempt to learn of the present whereabouts of this subject and if he gained any information he would immediately communicate with the Indianapolis Office.

Grier further informed Agent that William J. Harrison was quite interested in golf and played frequently at the golf club at Burnham, Illinois. He stated that he understood Harrison's home to be in St. Louis, Missouri, and that Wm. J. Harrison had two brothers who were professional golf players at some country club in St. Louis.

JACKSONVILLE OFFICE at Miami, Florida

Make investigation at the dog track in an effort to learn if William J. Harrison is there at the present time or any close associates of Harrison who might be able to give information of his location.

ST. LOUIS OFFICE at St. Louis, Missouri

As indicated in the body of this report Mr. Grier states

that Harrison has two brothers who are professional golf players at some country club in St. Louis. Effort should be made to locate these brothers with view to learning the present whereabouts of this subject.

CHICAGO OFFICE at Burnham, Illinois

Information might be gained from the country club at Burnham where Harrison often played golf as to associates of his who might give information as to the present location of this man.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.
January 28, 1935.

Time-5:55P.M.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re. Bremer Case

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
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Mr. Keith.....
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Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Connelley called this afternoon with reference to inquiries being made by the Chicago Tribune. Mr. Connelley stated that on the morning Perkins was taken into custody, the Tribune had a reporter in that vicinity and he got a pretty good idea that we had taken him into custody; that shortly thereafter the Tribune called and inquired as to what it was all about and Mr. Connelley denied that Perkins had been taken into custody. Today, the Tribune had three of their special reporters in the office making inquiries as to whether Perkins was being held. Mr. Connelley stated that he thinks they are trying to build it up so that when it is given out they can complain and claim that they were unable to get any verification on it. I advised Mr. Connelley that when inquiries are made we shouldn't deny that we are holding them but state that we have no comment to make.

Mr. Connelley stated that inasmuch as we have gotten everything out of him that we possibly can, why couldn't we make the announcement that we have him. I advised Mr. Connelley that the Departmental ruling prohibits any announcements from being made in the Field; and that the best thing to do would be to take him over, file a complaint, and arraign him in the morning. I advised Mr. Connelley that I would refer the matter to you to see if we could get by with a statement on this particular occasion. Mr. Connelley stated that the Tribune will not get it in the morning when all of the other papers do and that they will probably claim that we made the announcement at a time when the other papers could get it and at a time when they couldn't get it. I advised Mr. Connelley that if you wanted a statement given out, he would accordingly be advised.

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Say nothing. The Chicago Tribune can get their information when we make formal arraignment.

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Respectfully,
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E. A. Tamm.

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Department of Justice

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

January 28, 1935.

Director,
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I.O. 1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with
aliases - I.O. 1232, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

At 12:20 A. M. on January 27, 1935, Special Agent D. O. Smith of the Birmingham Office, by long distance telephone advised that the AUDB in Atlanta, Georgia, called the Birmingham Office, informing that the Sheriff at Hazelhurst, Georgia, had contacted the AUDB furnishing information to the effect that Alvin Karpis, I.O. 1218, was seen with another man and two women in a Dodge Sedan, in a Camp near Hazelhurst, Georgia.

Special Agent Smith immediately contacted the Sheriff at Hazelhurst by telephone and during the conversation it appeared that the Sheriff was under the influence of liquor.

Agent Smith advised that the Sheriff had stated that he had not seen these people; that this information had simply been furnished him; that the party in this black Dodge Sedan had been camped near Hazelhurst, Georgia, for the past three or four days.

Since an Agent was not immediately available to send to Hazelhurst Agent Smith advised that Special Agent Overstreet, who was in Macon, Georgia, would be instructed to proceed immediately to Hazelhurst, and conduct appropriate investigation; that on his return to Macon he would stop at Eastman, Georgia, since it had been reported to the Jacksonville Office that John Hamilton passed through that town at 4:00 P. M. on January 26, 1935.

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By long distance telephone at 2:00 P. M. on January 27, 1935, Special Agent Overstreet contacted the Jacksonville Office advising that at 4:00 A. M. on January 27, 1935, he arrived in Hazelhurst, Georgia, contacted Sheriff Evans and found that he had been drinking and was under the influence of liquor; that later in the morning he conducted an investigation and found that the persons referred to by Sheriff Evans, when he reported this matter to the AUDB in Atlanta, Georgia, were two boys in Dodge truck with loudspeakers on its top; that they had been to the American Legion Convention in Miami, Florida; that they were returning North and in Hazelhurst were endeavoring to obtain Georgia license plates for this car; that in his investigation he had positively determined that neither of these boys is Alvin Karpis, nor do they resemble any other members of this mob.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Chicago
Connelley,
St. Paul
Birmingham

Jax # 7-24

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

REN:CDW

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 28, 1935

Time - 6:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Re: Bremer case

Special Agent in Charge Larson telephoned me from Toledo and advised that he had definitely ascertained that Karpis and Campbell had been in Toledo as late as Thursday of last week; that they had offered \$500.00 to Ted Angus, operator of the Casino Club, to take them in and keep them for a week or two. Mr. Larson stated that one other individual had been approached by these persons in Toledo; that he feels certain that Karpis and Campbell are still in the vicinity of Toledo and are probably located in a farm house approximately four miles from Toledo.

Mr. Larson inquired as to what action had been taken on his previous request for additional men to assist him in this matter. He explained that he has seven telephones tapped and only two men to take care of them, which he claims is a physical impossibility; that in addition thereto, he has four other men to accompany him in the investigation to be conducted relative to the farm house where Karpis and Campbell are believed to be hiding out. He stated that in order to take care of the situation, he would need at least five additional men in Toledo. I suggested that he communicate with Mr. Connelley at Chicago and in the event it was established that Karpis and Campbell are located at that farm, a raiding party of sufficient strength should be organized; that in the meantime I would communicate with you and have you get in touch with him at Room 1432 Commodore Perry Hotel in Toledo.

This is the information which I transmitted to you by telephone at 7:00 P.M. ~~last evening~~.

Respectfully,

R. E. NEWBY

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MONDAY. REQUEST AUTHORITY TO RENT TWO APARTMENTS FOR SURVEILLANCE
AND TO TAP PHONE FAIRFAX 4482 LISTED TO IRENE FUNK, 2303 E. 70TH
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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT

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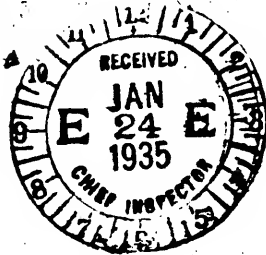
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CASE NO. Special.

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New York, N.Y., January 22, 1935.

Subject: Cassius K. McDonald.



REPORT EXAMINED, APPROVED AND
FORWARDED TO THE INSPECTOR

JAN 22 1935
J. J. Doran
Inspector in Charge Division

Inspector in Charge,
New York, N.Y.

1. I beg to submit the following data for the information of the Attorney General in connection with his investigation of kidnapping and ransom cases.

2. About \$100,000 in U.S. currency, in \$1, \$5, \$10 and \$20 denominations, was exchanged at Havana, Cuba, in September 1934 for gold and the latter immediately sold at a lesser price to obtain American currency of large denominations, and there was a loss on every transaction.

3. This operation was conducted by Cassius K. McDonald, who gave 711 Harmon Bldg., Detroit, Michigan, as his address. During the winter season 1933-34 he is said to have stopped at the Roney Plaza Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. He is a well-known "fixer" of Detroit, where he is said to enjoy the favor of police and other officials. He has long been reputed to have an interest in confidence pay-off swindles at Detroit, Michigan, and Hollywood, Florida, and he has frequently acted as bondsmen for underworld characters of Detroit. At Havana he reported he was 48 years old and weighed 104 pounds, and was born in Chicago, Illinois.

4. McDonald was accompanied by a man of gangster type, who called himself W. J. Harrison and who gave a St. Louis address. This man was about 33 years old, 5'5" tall, weighed 145 pounds, a blonde, wore clothing of poor appearance, and always stayed in the background as if he might be acting as a bodyguard for McDonald.

5. They were also accompanied by a Cuban named Romo Bolivar, who at one time was considered a man of means but more recently is said to have indulged in questionable enterprises.

6. McDonald was introduced on September 7, 1934, to Conrad Elser, Assistant Manager, Exchange Department, National City Bank, at Havana, by one Fernando Rodriguez, of La Habana, said to be a

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dealer in gold and Government lottery tickets, and who reported to the bank that he had given gold to McDonald in exchange for a large number of \$10 bills of American currency, and that McDonald wished to sell the gold and obtain American currency for it. Elmer reported this to Mr. S.C. Penn, U.S. Treasury Agent in Havana.

7. McDonald left Havana on September 8th on the Pan-American Airways at 8 p.m., returned on September 9th, and again left on September 11th, it is reported.

8. Knowing that McDonald has long been connected with the passing of stolen securities and money obtained in confidence deals, I believe that in this instance the low denominations of the bills, the method of exchange and the use of a far base for the operation all signify the disposition of proceeds of a kidnapping case and not of a confidence "score".

9. It is believed that the results of any investigation of this matter should be furnished the U.S. Internal Revenue Bureau for consideration in connection with the income tax returns of this racketeer at Detroit, Michigan, examination of which seems to indicate that he may be reporting only a small part of his reputed income.

Herbert N. Graham
Inspector.

Post Office Department
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INSPECTOR
Washington

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January 29, 1935.

The Honorable

The Attorney General.

My dear Mr. Attorney General: Attention Division of Investigation.

Transmitted, herewith, for consideration under the Act of July 8, 1932, is a copy of a report dated January 22, 1935, from Inspector H. N. Graham, relating to the activities of Cassius M. McDonald, Detroit, Michigan, in connection with the possible disposition of proceeds obtained in a kidnaping case.

Very truly yours,

For the Postmaster General,

K. P. Aldrich
Chief Inspector.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; DR.
JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases,
I. O. #1232, et al - EDWARD
G. BREMER - Victim; Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith copies of a report relative to one Cassius E. McDonald, prepared by Post Office Inspector Herbert E. Graham, dated at New York City January 22, 1935. It appears from this report that the Barker-Karpis gang endeavored to exchange the Bremer ransom money through McDonald, who was accompanied by W. J. Harrison and a companion named Rose Bolivar at Havana, Cuba during September, 1934. The contents of this report were furnished you telephonically by Supervisor E. E. Newby on January 31, 1935, so that the information could be relayed to Special Agent E. D. Brown, who is presently in Havana, Cuba conducting investigations in this matter.

A copy of this report is also being furnished to the offices designated below and the attention of the Detroit office is directed to the information relative to McDonald's activities at Detroit, Michigan, which, of course, should be given immediate and thorough attention.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Encl. #831798

CC - E. J. Connelley,
Chicago
Detroit
St. Paul

Encl. (copy of report of Mr. Graham,
dated 1/22/35 to each office)

Division of Investigation

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

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Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

I am enclosing herewith various photographs of the exterior
of the house at 190 May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, which
is the house in which Victim Bremer was held.

I am also enclosing herewith a typewritten copy of the state-
ment obtained from Harold V. Alderton.

Copies of the statement and photographs are likewise being
attached to the St. Paul copy of this letter.

Very truly yours,

M. H. PURVIS,
Special Agent in Charge

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1900 Bankers Bldg.,
Chicago, Illinois,
January 18, 1935

I, HAROLD V. ALLDERTON, make the following voluntary statement to R. C. Suran and W. C. Ryan, whom are known to me to be Special Agents of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice.

During the month of January and the first part of February, 1934, I was living at 180 May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, which house is situated on the rear of the lot. The forepart of the house is a two-story structure, which part is designated as the north side. The rear or south portion of the house is a one-story structure and consists of five rooms, exclusive of a pantry, toilet and closet. This house belongs to Herman C. Baucke, who occupies the lower floor of the forepart of the house. Baucke's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Koscal, live in the second story of the forepart of the house.

My mother, Mrs. Minnie Berry, resided with me at the above named address and we rented this place furnished, with the dishes and bedclothes, which were our own. The dishes and bedclothes are now in the possession of my mother, who is presently residing at 903 East 38th Street, Marion, Indiana.

During the year 1925, I was residing at the Raymond Hotel in Bensenville, Illinois, where I met an individual, known to me as George, but whom I have since learned to be identical with one Fred Goetz. Elmer Farmer was operating the Raymond Hotel at this time. Shortly before Christmas of 1933 I was at "Elmer's Tavern" in Bensenville, Illinois, when I was approached by Elmer Farmer and Fred Goetz. Fred Goetz asked me if I could use a little money, stating that he would like to "plant" a couple of boys at my place for a few days. My mother was visiting my brother, Leon Allderton, at Kokomo, Indiana at the time Goetz made this proposition to me. I agreed to put these fellows up at my place for Goetz, thinking that they were, no doubt, a couple of boys hiding from the law. My mother was expecting me to come to Kokomo, Indiana, for Christmas and she intended to return to Bensenville with me after Christmas, but after Goetz had made me this proposition, I telephoned her and told her that I would not be able to get down there for Christmas.

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but that I would be down for New Years. I made a number of telephone calls to my mother subsequent to this and delayed her return to Bensenville by telling her that I would be down to get her in a few days as I did not want her in Bensenville while these friends of Coetz's were at the house. From Coetz's conversation with me, I thought that these friends of his would come to my house in a couple of days, but no one came until a few days after New Years of 1934, when Elmer Farmer came to my house with an individual who was a stranger to me and who Elmer Farmer stated was one of Coetz's friends, who had come to look the accommodations over. This strange party looked around my place for a few minutes and left, stating the place seemed to be O. K. I did not look this party over very closely as I thought it was best not to do so, but as I recall he was a tall slender man and answered the description of an individual later known to me as "Slim" and whom I know now to be identical with Alvin Karpis, and it is my present impression that this party was Alvin Karpis.

A few days later I was in Elmer's Tavern and Elmer Farmer invited me to have a drink with a party whom he addressed as "Monty." I have been shown a photograph of one Byron Bolton, and whom I identify as being the same party as the Monty referred to above. After Monty left the tavern, Elmer Farmer said Monty said your company will be here in a couple of days.

About a week later, which would be around the middle part of January, 1934, at about midnight one night, I was alone at my home at 180 May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, when someone rapped at my door, and I answered it. Alvin Karpis was at the door and asked me if I was alone and also asked me where the garage was located. Before Christmas, 1933, at the request of Fred Coetz, I had rented a private garage from "Biddy" Bishop, for the purpose of storing the car of the persons who were to stay at my house and for which purpose Coetz had given me five dollars, which I had paid to Bishop for one month's rental of his garage. This garage is located in a barn on the west side of the alley, the same being the first barn south of 180 May Street, and in the rear of the house in which Bishop resided at that time.

After the above conversation with Karpis, I got on my hat and coat and Karpis turned out the light in the kitchen of the house and the both of us left the house and walked through the areaway between the house and a tarpapered shack located south of the house. This areaway is cemented and leads to the alley to the west of the house. Upon arriving at the alley I noticed what appeared to be a new, dark colored Buick sedan, with three men in it, one man in the front

seat and two men in the rear. I then left Karpis at the car and said that I would go down and open the doors to the garage. I walked down to the garage and did not see who got out of the car. Shortly thereafter Karpis drove the car down into the garage and after taking what appeared to be a high powered rifle from the car and wrapping it in a blanket, we returned to the house. Upon entering the house, I observed an individual, whom Karpis referred to as "Heavy." I have been shown a photograph of William Weaver, St. Paul Police Department #23452, and state this individual bears a strong likeness to the man called "Heavy", but I am not able to make a positive identification from the photograph. This man "Heavy" I later learned from Elmer Farmer is an expert pistol shot and served a term in a penitentiary where he was let out about six months each year in order to support his mother.

"Heavy" asked me to heat some water as one of the boys had bumped his head and I put some water on the gas stove for him. Karpis then told me to go over and tell Elmer Farmer that they had arrived and to get a case of beer and a couple of pints of whiskey for them from him. Elmer later brought the beer and whiskey to the house. Upon returning to the house from Elmer's Tavern, I saw at my house a man whom the other boys referred to as "George", this man was about 5 feet 5 inches in height and between 25 and 30 years of age. I have been shown a photograph of one Harry Campbell and state that it bears a strong resemblance to the man referred to as "George", but I am unable to make a positive identification from this picture.

Also in the house I saw a man referred to as "Doc." I have been shown a photograph of Arthur R. Barker and state that Arthur Barker is identical with the party referred to as "Doc."

In addition to the parties, whom I have mentioned above, I knew that there was a fifth person in the house and that this party whom I had not seen at this time had an injured head and that this latter party was being treated for the injury in the first bedroom south of the toilet. This bedroom was furnished only with a table, chair and bed. The bed was situated on the north side of the room and the table was located in the southwest corner of the room, next to the window.

The following morning when I was reading the Chicago Tribune newspaper, which was being delivered each morning to my home, I noticed therein the account of the kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer, a

banker, at St. Paul, Minnesota, on the previous day. Karpis, "Doc", "George" and "Heavy" all appeared to be eager to read the newspaper story of the kidnaping, which gave me the impression that they might have had something to do with it and I asked them if the party they had in the bedroom was Bremer. "Doc" sort of smiled in a manner which indicated that they did have Bremer and said, "Go in and look at him." I did not go into the bedroom as I did not want Bremer to see me, nor did I care to see him.

On this same morning Karpis gave me a list of groceries to buy for the crowd and I left the house at once and drove in my car to Elmer's Tavern and there informed Elmer Farmer that Karpis and the others were holding Edward Bremer for ransom at my house. Farmer appeared excited and worried at hearing this and it was apparent that this was the first indication he had that Goetz had arranged for a hideout to hold a kidnaped person. I then went to Elmhurst, Illinois, where I purchased the groceries ordered by Karpis at Manaback's Grocery Store. As I recall I purchased oranges, bananas, bread, butter, eggs, canned peas and corn, coffee, cream and some fresh meat.

After my return from the grocery store, Karpis and the others talked freely about Bremer but they never talked about the actual snatch in St. Paul, nor did I ever hear them discuss anything about the ransom negotiations.

I am unable to recall day by day events which occurred during the approximate three weeks time Bremer was held at my house, however, Fred Goetz came to my house while Bremer was being held, three or more times, and on two of these occasions a party answering the description of Fred Barker, whose photograph I have seen, came with Goetz. On another occasion "Monty" came to the house with Goetz. On at least one occasion "Monty" came to the house by himself.

I would usually leave the house about one P. M. each day and go to Elmer's Tavern, and just about every day I bought groceries in Elmhurst and occasionally would buy them in Bensenville at the A. & P., National, or Lauman's Market. I recall that on one occasion I bought strawberries at Manaback's Grocery, on another day I bought two small chickens and on another occasion I bought some fresh fish. I did most of the cooking and would return to the house about 6 P. M. each day to cook supper.

I also recall the mob joking among themselves that Bremer thought he was being held in a basement because he had remarked to them when they brought him into the house, that he thought he was in a basement. I believe that Bremer thought this because the alley is higher than the cement areaway previously described in this statement and between the alley and the areaway there is an old cistern, which had caved in, leaving a small opening in the cement walk, which opening had been covered with a large chunk of cement and a person in stepping from the alley to the cement walk might possibly believe he was going down a couple of steps.

About four or five days after Bremer was brought to my house I passed the bedroom in which he was being held and saw him sitting at the table in the room with his back to the open door. I noticed at this time that his head was wrapped in gauze, in turban fashion, apparently covering his eyes and ears. The gauze was held together with adhesive tape. The boys tended him a good deal and on two occasions I bought rolls of two-inch gauze at the Rexall Drug Store in Elmhurst, Illinois and I presumed that they used this to change the blind over Bremer's head. I did not observe any binding on Bremer's hands or feet. When Bremer decided to go to the toilet, he would yell, "Oh Pardner!" and one of the boys would then lead him out of the bedroom past a coal stove to the right of the bedroom door, then in through the north bedroom and in to the toilet. I observed this procedure on two occasions and both times the gauze was on Bremer's head as previously described, and I, at no time, got a good look at his face and am unable to identify a photograph of Edward G. Bremer, which has been exhibited to me.

When Bremer would call to the boys they would answer him at first in low tones and then gradually raise their voices in order to test how well Bremer could hear through the binding. Although I cannot recall any specific remarks made by members of the gang, they would talk at times to each other in loud voices and make remarks apparently for the purpose of intimidating Bremer.

During the time that Bremer was held at my house, Elmer Farmer came over on two or three occasions and talked with the different members of the gang, but never remained over a few minutes at a time.

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On one occasion Linn Corkhill, a switchman employed by the Milwaukee Railroad at Bensenville, Illinois, came to my house unexpectedly. When he arrived I kept him in the kitchen and the mob stayed in the front part of the house. Corkhill remained for about five minutes and had no knowledge of what was taking place in the house.

During the time the gang was at my place, I saw them with two machine guns and each one of the gang carried an automatic pistol. Karpis left my house only one night during the time Bremer was held there and "George" also was away only one night during this time.

During the last week Bremer was held the gang became very uneasy and did quite a lot of arguing among themselves and finally Fred Goetz was asked by the others to take "Heavy" away, which he did. Karpis and "Heavy" appeared particularly to dislike one another. Also the gang had considerable difficulty in keeping "George" from drinking too much.

After about three weeks, Fred Goetz came to the house early one morning and brought a shaving outfit with him, consisting of a mug, strap, and straight edge razor. I heated some water for him that morning, which he presumably used in shaving Bremer. Fred Goetz spent most of this morning in the room with Bremer, evidently preparing him to take him away. I have no information concerning any clothing bought for Bremer, which was used by him when he was taken away from my house, nor do I know of any occasion on which he was taken from the house to wash or for any other purpose, other than when he was finally taken away at about 10 A. M. on the last day he was held which was about three weeks after he was brought to my house. As I recall Bremer was taken away from my house about two days before my birthday, which was February 9, 1934.

When the gang was getting ready to take Bremer away, "Doc" went to the garage to get the Buick car and came back because he could not get the car started. I then drove my car around to the garage and helped to start the Buick by pushing it down the alley. "Doc" drove off in the Buick by himself and drove south on May Street. I then went back to the house and Goetz met me at the door and said for me to go to the south of the tar paper shack and to detain anyone who might be headed toward the house. I saw Goetz's Chevrolet

coupe parked in the alley in front of the areaway at this time. Shortly after I reached the south side of the tar paper shack, I heard the Chevrolet coupe start and drive out of the alley. I did not see who got into the Chevrolet coupe, but upon returning immediately to the house I found that everyone had left.

About the end of the first week that Bremer was at my house, Elmer Farmer brought me four five gallon alcohol cans and told me that the boys wanted me to get them filled with gasoline. It was night time when Farmer gave me these cans, and I took them to a filling station located on Lake Street about one-half mile west of York Road on the north side of the street, where I had these cans filled with highest gasoline, and brought them back and placed them in the garage alongside the Buick car. Karpis then came down to the garage and emptied three of them into the Buick's gasoline tank. I then took the three empty cans to a filling station located on Irving Park Boulevard in Wooddale, Illinois, this station was the first one reached upon coming into Wooddale from the east. After having the three cans filled I brought them back to the garage where I placed them alongside the Buick. On the following evening Karpis went to the garage and put the four cans of gasoline inside of the Buick.

At the time the gang took Bremer away from my house, Goetz gave me \$100.00 as part payment for my services and said that that would be enough for me to get out of town on for a few days and that I would have more coming later. On about February 11, 1934 I left Bensenville and drove to Kokomo, Indiana, where I stayed with my brother, Leon, until about March 1, 1934 after which I returned with my mother to Bensenville. A few days after March 1, 1934, Elmer Farmer gave me \$380.00, which he said was additional money from Goetz; that Goetz had given him \$400.00 for me, but that he had taken out \$20.00 which I owed him, Farmer.

My mother and I remained in Bensenville until about the middle of May, 1934, when we left and went to Monticello, Indiana, where my brother and I had rented a cottage. Shortly before leaving Bensenville, Elmer Farmer gave me \$500.00 which he said represented the rest of the money coming to me for the use of my home.

The \$100.00 given me by Goetz was in \$20.00 denominations. The \$380.00 given me by Farmer in March consisted of five \$50.00 bills, and the rest in \$5.00, \$10.00, and \$20.00 denominations. The final \$600.00 given me by Farmer consisted of three \$100.00 bills and four \$50.00 bills.

(Signed) Harold V. Alderton

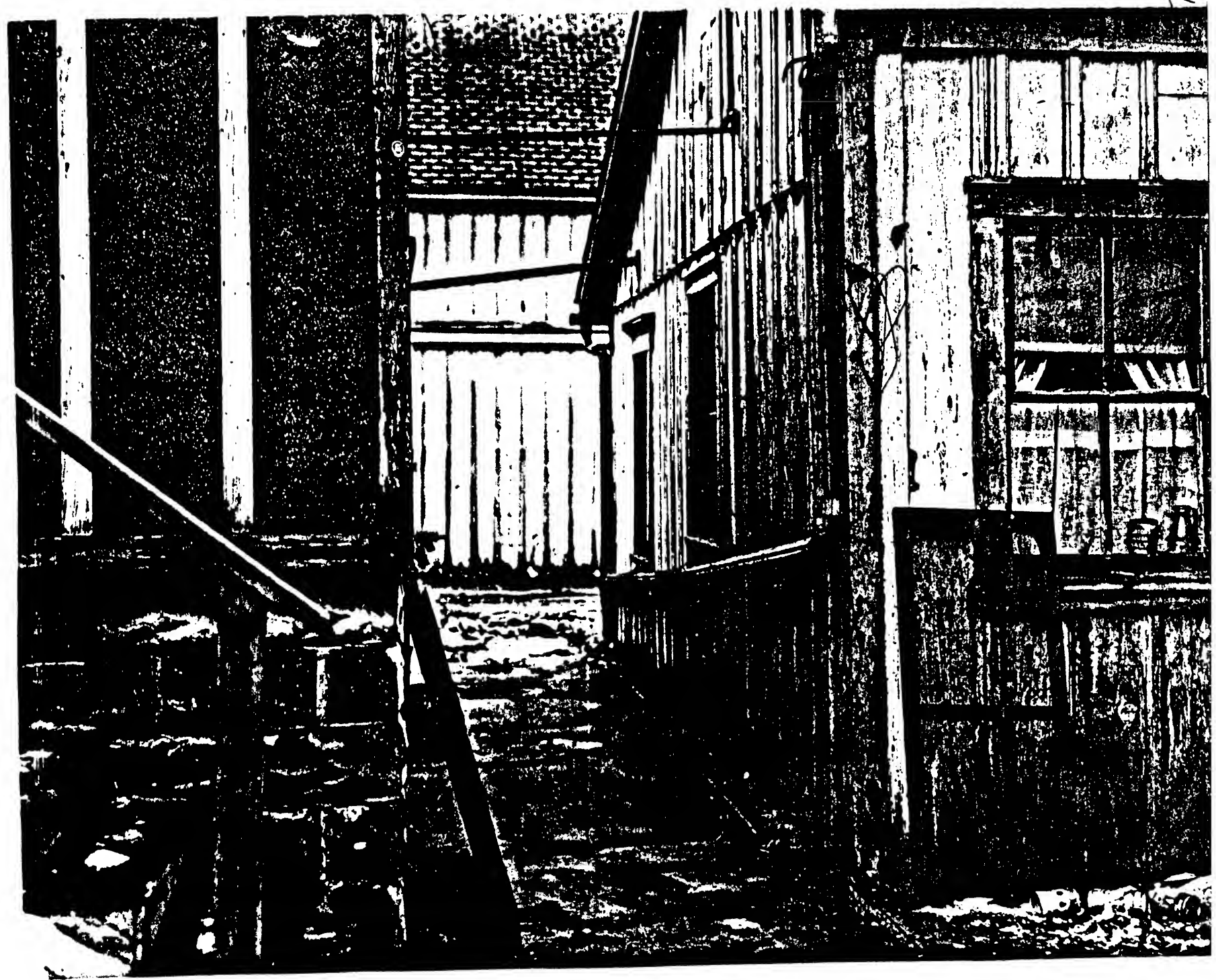
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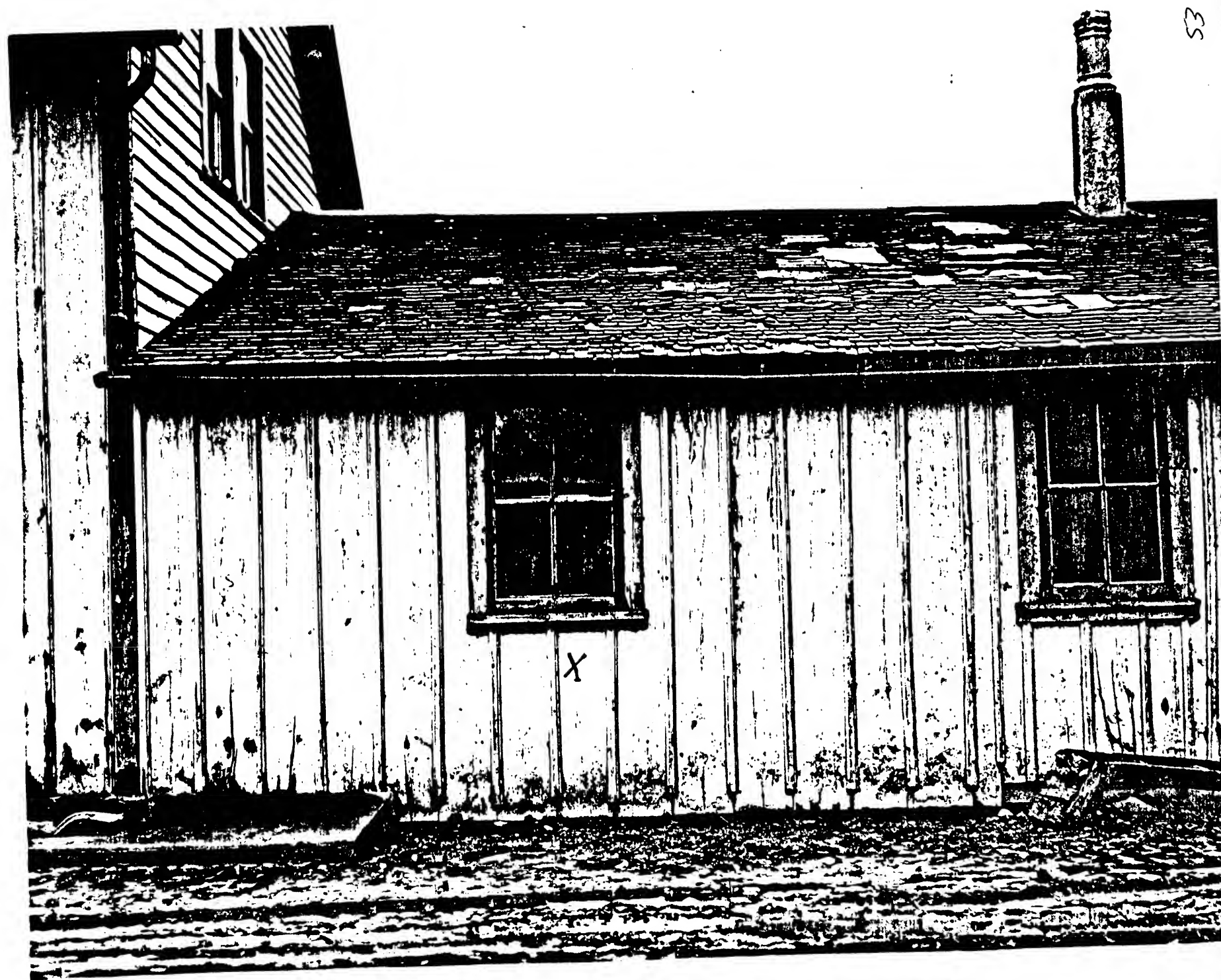


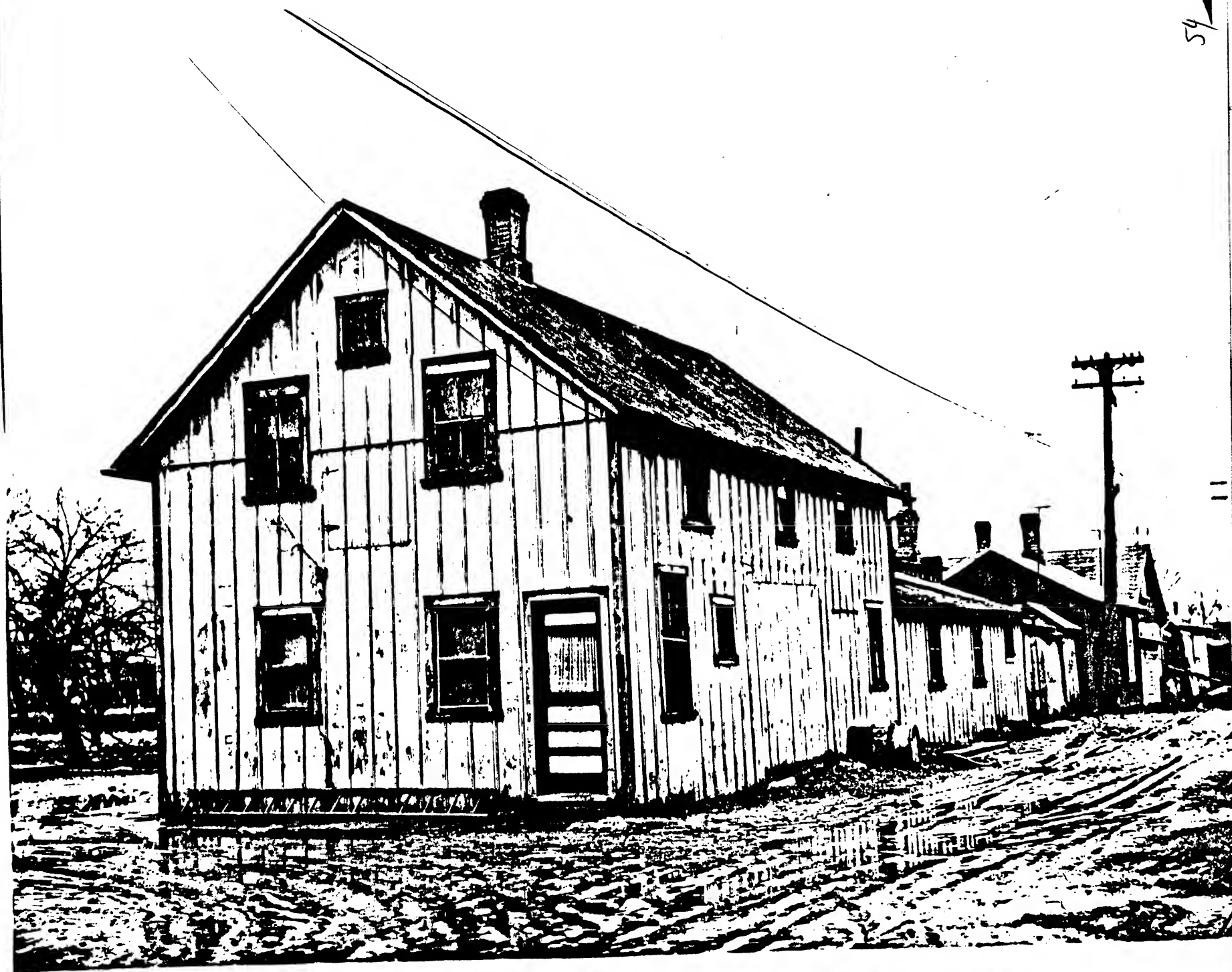
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January 18, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

RE: Alvin Karpis, with aliases,
I.O. #1218, et al,
Edward George Bremer-Victim
Kidnaping. File 7-82

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith ten photographs of the interior of the home at 180 May Street, Bensenville, Illinois, in which house Victim Bremer was held. It will be noted that the photographs of the room in which Bremer was held well illustrate the wall paper which was described by Mr. Bremer, samples of which the Division has already procured.

Very truly yours,

M. H. Purvis
M. H. PURVIS, *prob.*
Special Agent in Charge.

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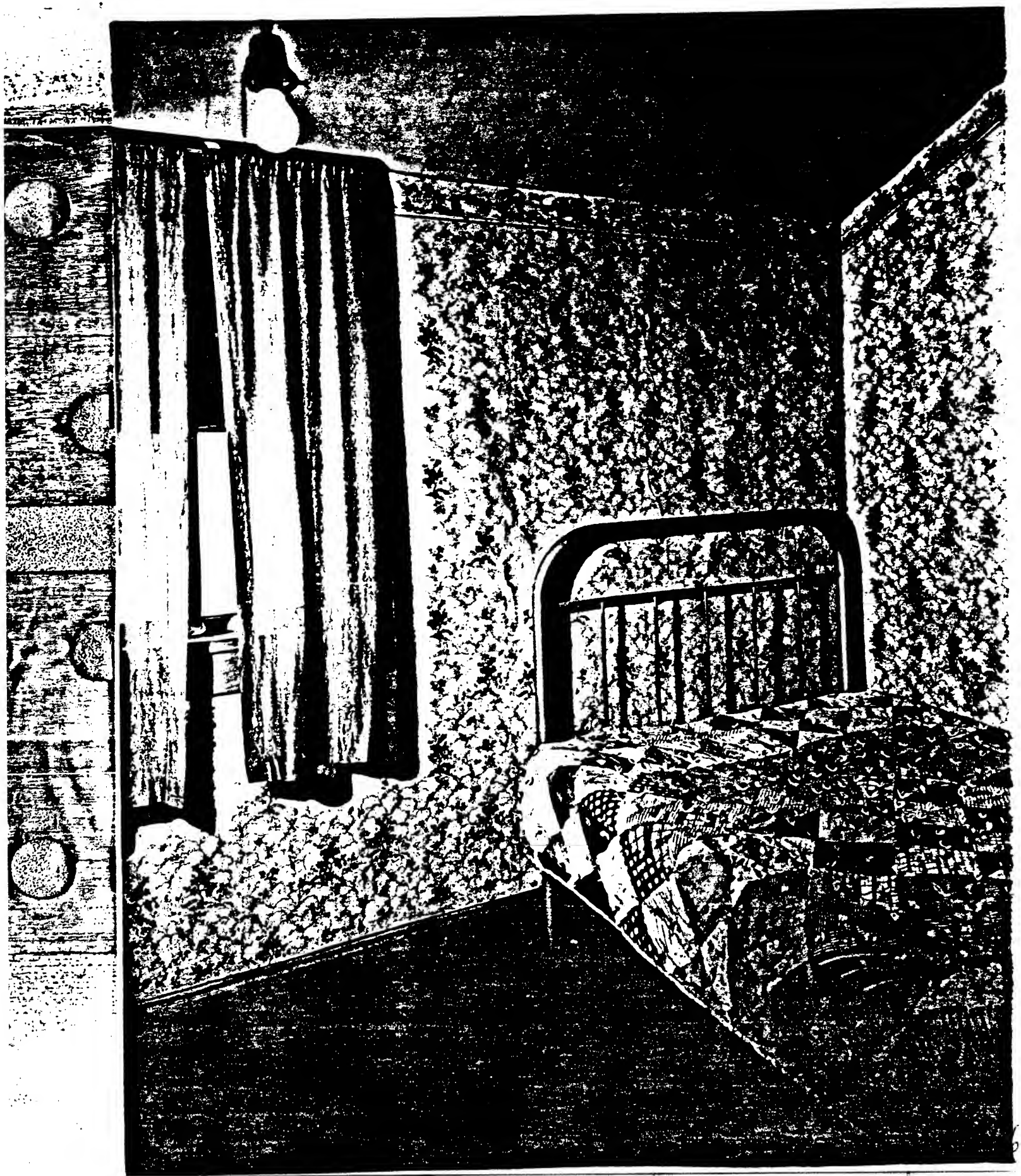
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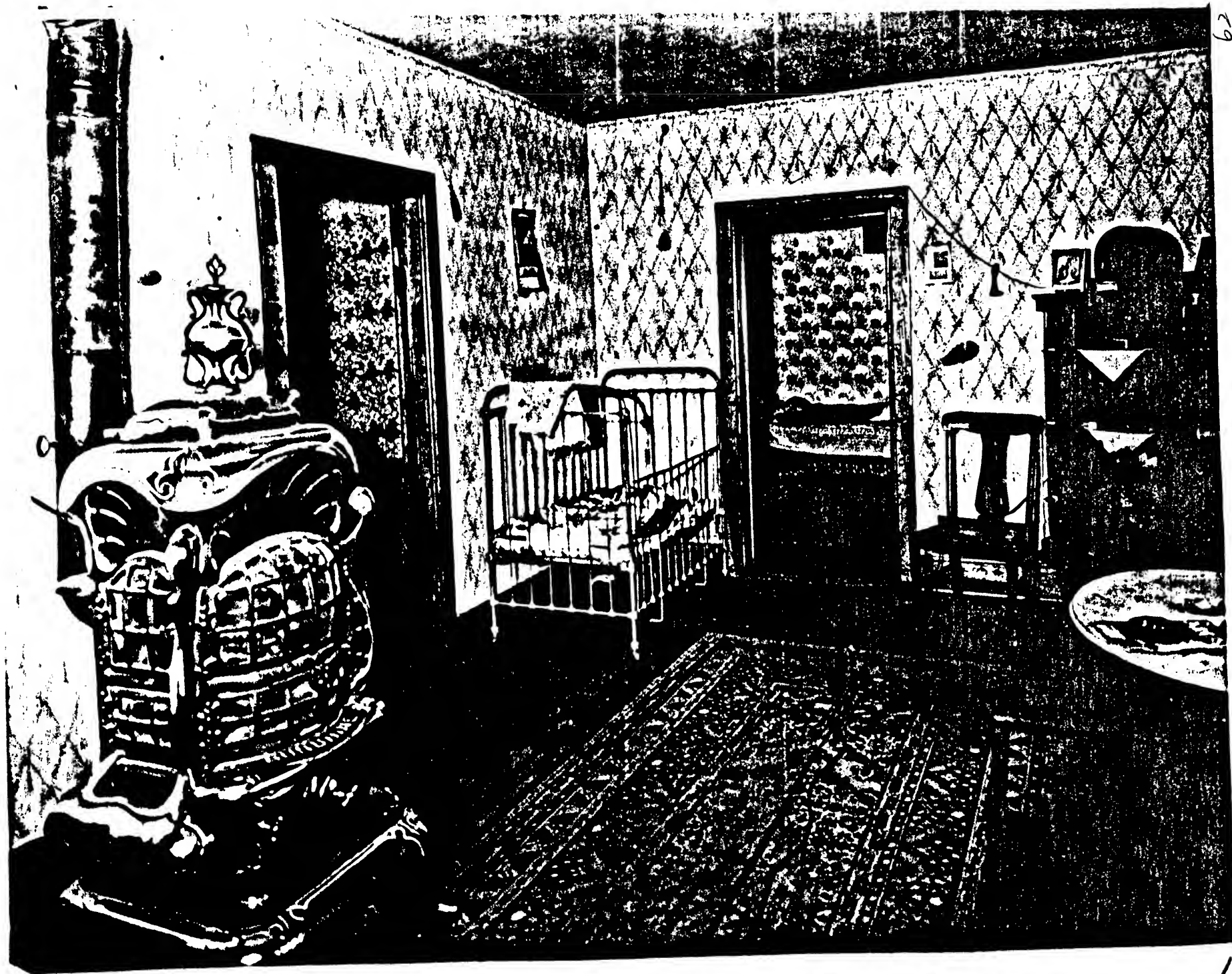
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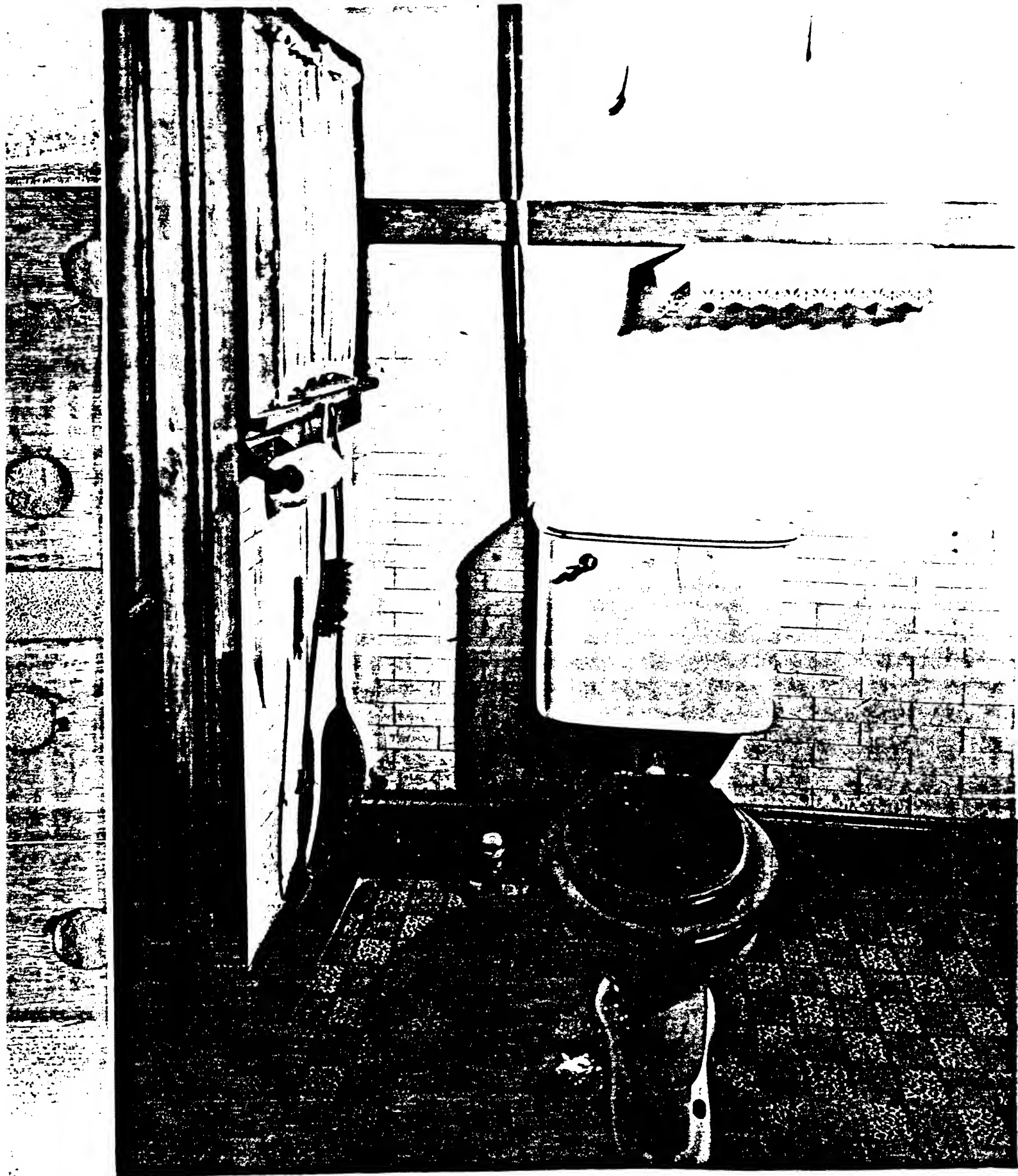






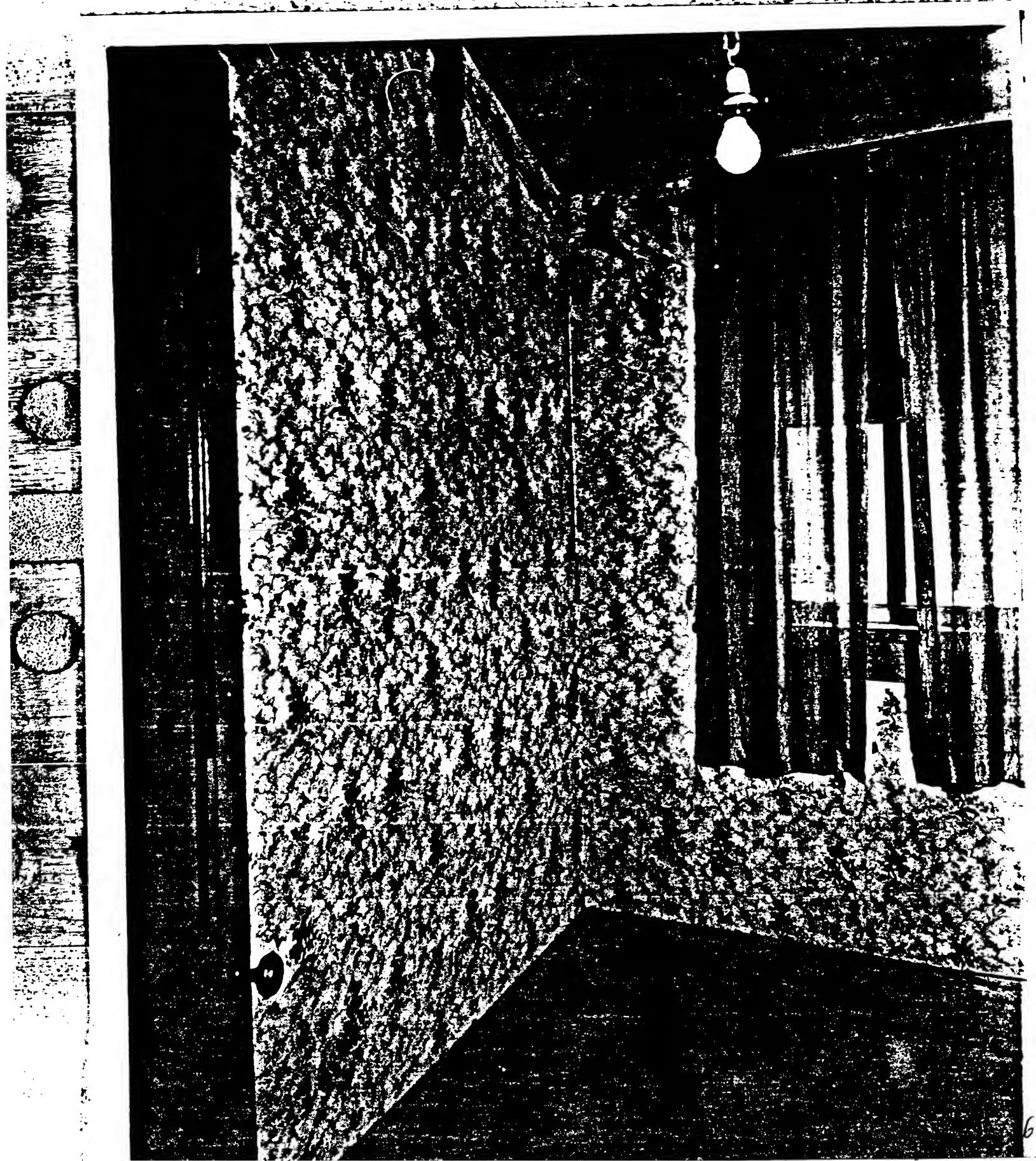
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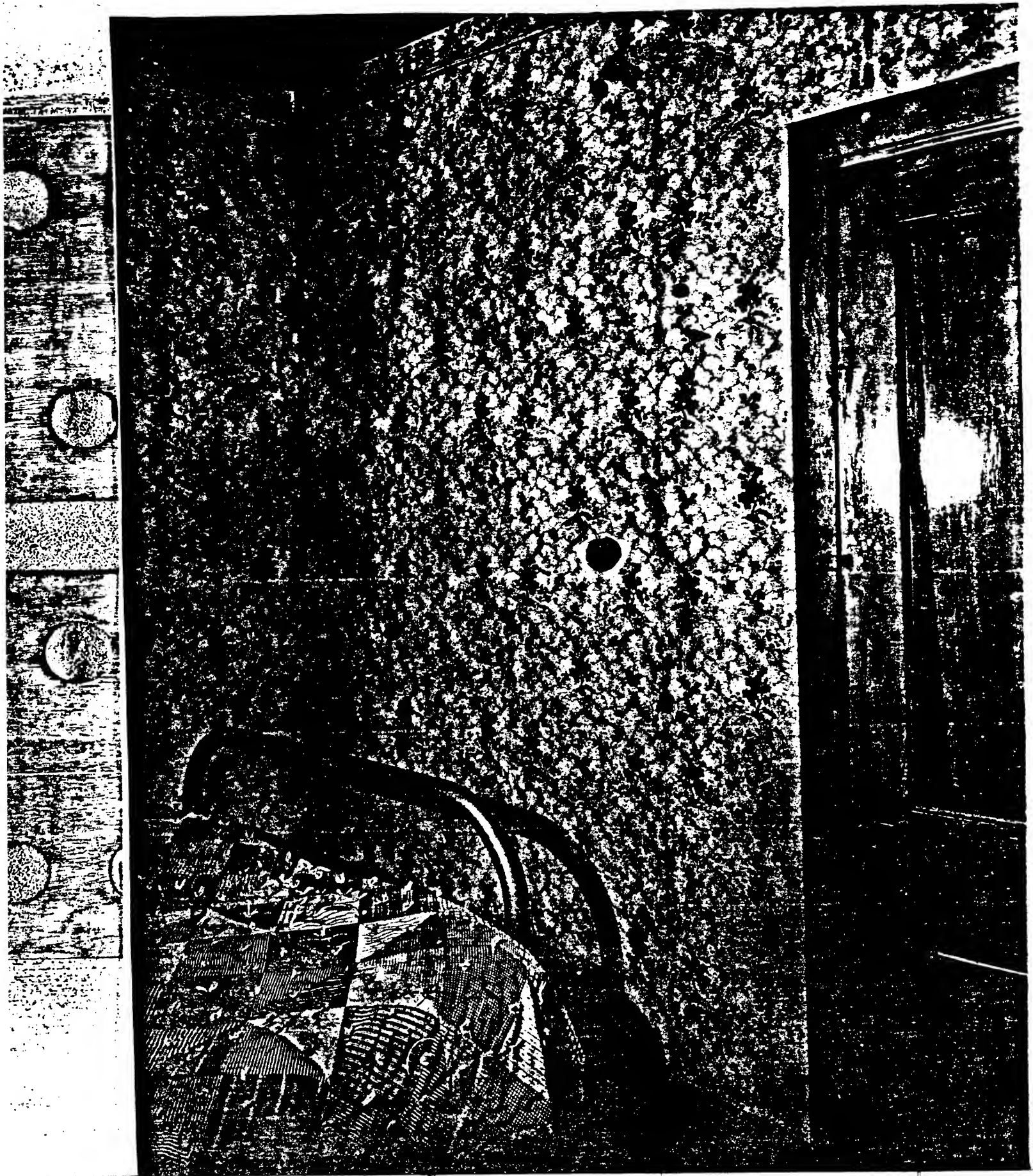
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 29, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

In compliance with the request of Mr. Backus,
I am transmitting herewith two copies each of abstracts of
criminal records and descriptions as appearing in the files
of the Identification Unit of John Dillinger, deceased, our
file #688382, George Haller, alias Alvin Karpis, our file
#199217, Harvey J. Bailey, our file #312470, George Nelson,
deceased, our file #542742, John Hamilton, our file #110358,
Harry L. Pierpont, deceased, our file #4268, Charles Floyd,
deceased, our file #24653, Dock Barker, our file #289428,
F. G. Ward, alias Fred Barker, deceased, our file #59163.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder

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U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

Mr. Nathan.....
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I telephoned Mr. Connelley at Chicago and informed him of a telephone call to the Division made by Mr. Larson of the Detroit Office last Saturday. I told him that Mr. Larson is somewhat concerned over the shortage of men in his district; that Mr. Larson informs that he has six of his men tied upon on telephone taps in Toledo and Cleveland, thus leaving him no men to make the necessary contacts with informants and others in the event something happens.

Mr. Connelley stated that while he is somewhat short of men at the present time, he could arrange to send one man to each of Toledo and Cleveland, thus assuring himself and the Division that the proper contacts were being maintained in those places.

I inquired of Mr. Connelley as to his reaction to the attitude of the Division relative to the \$14,000 and the diamonds which were recovered in Florida. Mr. Connelley stated that while he feels that Bremer will ultimately get the money if these people are convicted at St. Paul, he does not believe that Mr. Bremer has at all times rendered the best of cooperation to the Division. Mr. Connelley then mentioned the fact that it was Karpis and Fred Barker who killed the Sheriff at West Plains, Missouri, and while he does not know what kind of cooperation the Division has been getting there, he is of the opinion that by inference this woman, that is, the widow of the Sheriff, should be informed that she probably could tie the money up by a judgment for damages. I told him that if this money is confiscated and turned over to somebody who has some legal claim to it, we can then say that we were instrumental in recovering that much money; however, it is not the desire of the Division to be jockeyed into a position where we will be subject to any criticism for maneuvering \$14,000 and some diamonds out of one judicial district just ahead of a process with no ultimate end in view other than to keep anybody from getting it. Mr. Connelley suggested that it might be best for the Division to leave this money and these diamonds just where they are, and let the claims be filed and then thrashed out in court. I told him that I would contact Mr. Nathan and ascertain what the United States Attorney at St. Paul thinks of this idea.

Don't have anything more to do with the money & diamonds. It is none of our business. J. E. H.

Respectfully,

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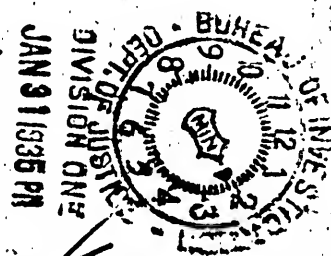
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Saint Paul,
January 26, 1935

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Jailer, Ramsey County Jail,
Saint Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Mr. John DeCourcy, attorney of Saint Paul, Minnesota, has been granted permission as attorney for "Doc" Barker, a federal prisoner, to confer with this prisoner at all reasonable times and hours in private at the Ramsey County Jail upon condition that the Agent in Charge, Division of Investigation, Federal Courts Building, Saint Paul, be informed by Mr. DeCourcy of a desire for a conference with that prisoner and upon the further condition that an agent from the Department of Justice accompany Mr. DeCourcy to the jail.

Of course, Mr. DeCourcy's conferences may be in private and not within the hearing of any agent but shall be under the agent's observation.

It is assumed that Mr. DeCourcy's conferences will be on business and will not be unreasonable as to frequency.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE F. SULLIVAN,
United States Attorney.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 515,
Saint Paul, Minnesota

January 29, 1935

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,
with aliases, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to communication from this office under recent date, please be advised that under court order, John DeCourcy, a local attorney, permitted to interview Arthur R. Barker, with alias in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, under date of January 26, 1935.

Mr. DeCourcy was searched appropriately before entering the cell block in which Barker is confined. For the information of the Division, I am attaching hereto a copy of a letter submitted to this office by United States Attorney George F. Sullivan, which was addressed to the Jailer of the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, Minnesota, and a copy also furnished to Mr. DeCourcy.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd
D. M. LADD, *acc*
Special Agent in Charge.

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DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION
FROM: UNIT

P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 29, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. 1219;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1232;
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
Kidnaping.
St. Paul File 7-30.

Confirming my telephonic conversation of this afternoon with Special Agent Calhoun of your office, there is attached hereto a copy of a letter from Alice Conrad, dated at Lake View, Iowa, January 24, 1935, but which, however, was postmarked Ames, Iowa, in which letter she discloses that she received a letter from Gladys Sawyer on November 11, 1934, and subsequently disposed of her car, which was stored at Walkers Garage in Omaha, to a man by the name of Thorpe.

As you will note, there are several things questionable about Miss Conrad's letter. She does not attempt to explain what disposition she made of the money received from the sale of the car. The automobile in question is a 1934 Chevrolet Coach, Motor #2,029,084, Minnesota 1934 License B 89-155, and was purchased from Kennedy Chevrolet Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Alice Conrad in her name. The car is dark, either blue or black.

Miss Conrad has pretended to cooperate with this office in the past in connection with this case, however, the above is a fair example of the cooperation she has actually rendered.

I should like to ask that you cause this woman to be thoroughly interviewed at the first available opportunity. Her return address on the envelope was c/o Mrs. J. A. Wallace, Lake View, Iowa. Have her explain why she failed to give the

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information to this office in accordance with promises. Also, all details regarding the actual transfer of the car and the disposition made of the money. Inquiry should, of course, be made at the Walker Garage in Omaha for the purpose of securing full information regarding the storage of the car there.

In the event Miss Conrad returns to her home in Minneapolis before an opportunity is afforded your office to interview her, I will notify you by telegram. I also believe it advisable to frankly advise her that a Warrant of Arrest has been issued at St. Paul for the arrest of Harry Sawyer.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cc Division
Mr. E. J. Connelley
Phila.
N.Y.
(encl. to ea. of above)

Lake View, Iowa
January 24, 1935.

Mr. Ladd
U.S. Dept. of Justice
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Mr. Ladd:

this is to inform you that I have sold Mrs. Sawyer's car, which was left at the Walker Garage in Omaha. It was sold to a young man in this town by the name Thorpe. He went down to Omaha and got the car and Mr. Walker informed him that there had been some police in checking on the car.

I had received a letter from Mrs. Sawyer, evidently written in Nov. at Des Moines, saying she was leaving the car here (Omaha) and the letter was mailed from Council Bluffs on the 11th. The letter gave no information as to where she was going.

Thought I'd give you this information so that the car proposition could be dropped.

Sincerely,

ALICE CONRAD

(cy. to - Omaha
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February 8, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I. O. #1252; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I. O. #1236; VOLNEY
DAVIS with aliases, I. O. #1257; ET AL;
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

The Division is in receipt of a copy of a letter addressed to you by the St. Paul Division Office under date of January 28, 1935 in the above entitled case relative to the 1934 Chevrolet Coach, Motor No. 2,029,084, which was purchased from the Kennedy Chevrolet Company, Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Alice Conrad in her name for Mrs. Harry (Gladys) Sawyer.

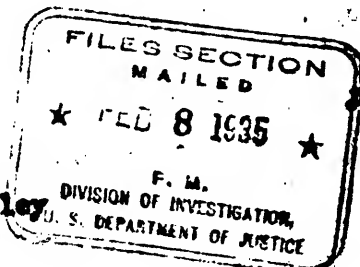
As stated in the letter of reference, Miss Conrad had represented to the Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Office that she would cooperate with the Division and that she did not want to be placed in the position of having harboring charges preferred against her, inasmuch as Mrs. Sawyer had taken up her residence with Miss Conrad. She should be thoroughly interviewed concerning the present whereabouts of Mrs. Sawyer.

The Division desires that immediate arrangements be made at Lincoln, Nebraska, to insure notification to the Division in the event Harry Sawyer communicates with or contacts any of his relatives who are residing in that city. You should give very close attention to this particular fugitive and submit a report at frequent intervals covering your efforts to locate him.

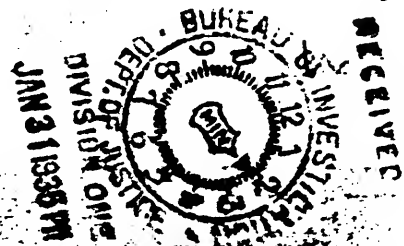
Your office is also instructed to intensify its investigation looking toward the location and apprehension of Kyrle Eaton. Recent reports submitted indicate her presence in Des Moines, Iowa, possibly residing with or associating with her brother-in-law, "Budd" Joyce.

Very truly yours,

cc - St. Paul
Mr. Connelley



John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 29, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 1156,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING. St. Paul file No. 7-30.

John Kooser, Mankato, Minnesota, who has been identified with the St. Paul underworld and who made it possible for the Dillinger gang to secure automobiles at Mankato, on being interviewed relative to the location of \$70,000 of stolen bonds, stated that he had recently heard from a man, name not disclosed, in St. Paul that Myrtle Eaton is at the present time with Bud Joyce who has recently been released from the Stillwater, Minnesota, Penitentiary; and that Bud Joyce and Myrtle Eaton are contacting Bud Lynch of Des Moines, Iowa. He likewise stated that Dewey Burlovich, "Skinny" Heilmeyer, Benny Stone, and "Go-about" Reiley are also contacting members of this gang.

This is being referred to you for appropriate investigation.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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OMAHA, NEBRASKA, JANUARY 29, 1935 3:30 PM

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P. O. Box 518,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 28, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O.# 1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O.# 1219;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.# 1232;
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING. St. Paul File No. 7-30.

This office is in receipt of a communication from Sherman H. Barnett, Federal Deputy Game Warden, with offices in Suite 1518 Monadnock Block, Chicago, Illinois, inquiring as to certain details regarding the BREMER kidnaping investigation.

This office is unable to identify any previous communication from this party, and owing to the large number of files in this case to be searched to find such correspondence, it is respectfully requested that an agent from your office interview Mr. Barnett personally as to the information he desires.

The letter received from Mr. Barnett is attached hereto.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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C O P Y

Chicago, Illinois,
January 21, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

I would like, for my own information, certain details regarding the Bremer kidnapping investigation; provided, of course, you are free to disclose the same.

Upon receipt of a letter from you last February, addressed to me as United States Deputy Game Warden, the first location investigated by me was Bensenville, Illinois. That town seemed to fit the description except for the illegal fishing factor. Further investigation revealed no reports of any fishing at all in or near Bensenville.

I eventually wrote you reporting that Fox Lake, Illinois seemed to fit the description. The matter being confidential, I did not place a copy of my letter to you in the office files.

What I should like to know is:

1. Did I mention Bensenville to you?
2. Is there an answer to the illegal fishing factor in the description?

If I failed to mention Bensenville, I am indeed chagrined beyond words as I discussed the possibility at length with my brother, who has a summer cabin there and made additional investigation to eliminate the illegal fishing factor. Since you addressed your letter to me as a game warden, I considered this factor as an important one. To be true many locations would fit the description except for this factor.

Yours very truly,

SHERMAN H. BARNETT,
Federal Deputy Game Warden.

SRB RM

Post Office Box 4907
Jacksonville, Florida

FJD:HAM.

January 24, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Division of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I.O. 1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases I.O. 1219
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases - I.O. 1213
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases I.O. 1232
ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

With regard to the four fingerprint film cassettes that were used in the photographing of the various items taken at the time the house at Oklawaha, Florida, which was occupied by Fred and Kate Barker, was seized by Agents of this Division, and which cassettes were forwarded to the Chicago Office, please be advised they were the property of the Jacksonville Office and you are requested to return the above mentioned cassettes at your earliest convenience, since they represent our entire supply of this item.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Director
Saint Paul

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U. S. Bureau of Investigation

Department of Justice

Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Fla.

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January 29, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases,
I.O. 1232; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING.

Pursuant to Mr. Tamm's telephonic instructions, on January 28, 1935, I contacted Mrs. Revel of the Revel Studio, at Ocala, Florida, by telephone requesting that no more pictures be sold by her concern, made from plates which were exposed in the residence occupied by Kate and Fred Barker at Oklawaha, Florida, pursuant to Mr. Connelley's order.

Mrs. Revel stated that the request would be immediately complied with. She also advised that last Saturday her concern made additional photographs of the interior and exterior of this home at the behest of Mrs. Carson Bradford, its owner, and that, of course, if it were satisfactory with Mrs. Bradford these photographs would be offered for sale.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - St. Paul
E. J. Connelley, Cgo

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= U S DEPT OF JUSTICE PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT 9 ST

= BREKID WILLIAM J. HARRISON BORN SEPTEMBER TWENTY SEVENTH

NINETEEN HUNDRED STOP IF DIVISION CONTEMPLATES ISSUING

IDENTIFICATION ORDER HARRISON REQUEST TELEGRAPHIC ADVISE

BECAUSE DESIRE INTERVIEW RELATIVES THIS SUBJECT BE

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W56 119 DL COLLECT GOVT=RG KANSASCITY MO 245P JAN 25 1

DIRECTOR DIV OF INV US DEPT JUSTICE=
PENN AVE AT 9

See 62-1265

BREKID HARLAND BILYEU WHO RESIDES NEAR OZARK MISSOURI STATES HARRY CAMPBELL AT HIS HOME TEN OCLOCK MORNING OF JANUARY TWENTY THIRD ACCOMPANIED BY UNKNOWN INDIVIDUAL DRIVING BLACK COUPE POSSIBLY CHEVROLET LICENSE UNKNOWN STOP BILYEU CLAIMS ACQUAINTED CAMPBELL APPROXIMATELY TWELVE YEARS AGO AND HAS N SEEN SINCE UNTIL THIS OCCASION STOP STATES CAMPBELL TALKED ATLANTIC CITY AFFAIR AND REQUESTED PRESENT LOCATION BILYEUS BROTHER BEN WHO RESIDES SPRINGFIELD AND ROLAND WILLIAMS ALLEG FORMER MEMBER RAY TERRELL GANG RECENTLY RELEASED OKLAHOMA PENITENTIARY AND NOW REPORTED RESIDING SEMINOLE OKLAHOMA S BILYEU PLAINTIFF IN WAR RISK CASE SUIT BEING BROUT BY GUARD AND INVESTIGATION VETERANS ADMINISTRATION SHOWING MENTALLY INCOMPETENT STOP INFORMATION POSSIBLY UNFOUNDED BUT FURTHER INQUIRIES BEING CONDUCTED AND OKLAHOMA CITY ADVISED SEMINOLE ANGLE=

NATHAN. 438P..

The name has been read.

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W29 31 GOVT COLLECT=RG KANSASCITY MO 1047A JAN 25 1935

DIRECTOR DIVN OF INV US DEPT OF JUSTICE=
PENNSYLVANIA AVE AND 9 ST NORTHWEST=

BREKID RECORDS MISSOURI PENITENTIARY CONTAIN NO INFORMATION
REGARDING DATE AND PLACE BIRTH EDNA MURRAY SHOW AGE AS
SEVEN IN NINETEEN TWENTY FIVE PARENTS RESIDING CARDIN
AND NATIVITY CALIFORNIA=
NATHAN. 1208P.

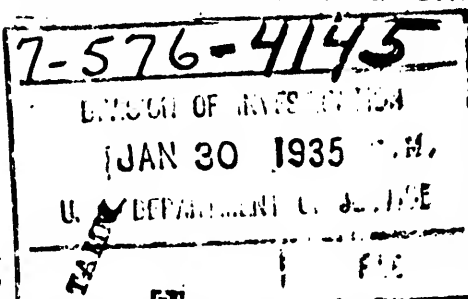
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US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE=PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT NINTH ST

BREKID WILLIAM WEAVER AS PHOENIX ODENNEL NUMBER ONE EIGHT

SIX ARRESTED SPECIAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT STLOUIS

RAILROAD SAPULPA OKLAHOMA MAY TWENTY SIXTH NINETEEN TWENTY

TWO CHARGE SUSPECTED AUTO THIEF DISPOSITION TURNED OVER TO

SHERIFF STOP RELEASED BY SHERIFF WITHOUT PROSECUTION

=BRANTLEY.

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Edw. P. Brennan
BREKID EDNA MURRAY AS DORIS FARRELL ARRESTED SEPTEMBER 4-1931
AS ESCAPED FUGITIVE. TURNED OVER BY CHICAGO POLICE TO DEPUTY
WARDEN, MISSOURI STATE PRISON OF JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI ON
SEPTEMBER 10-1931 M POLICE RECORDS HERE INDICATE SHE IS AGAIN
WANTED SINCE DECEMBER 13-1932 AS AN ESCAPED FUGITIVE

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LITTlerock ARK 25 510P

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PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT 9 ST NORTHWEST WASHN DC

BREKID NO RECORD BIRTH PHOENIX DONALD LITTlerock ARK FURTHER

INQUIRIES UNDER PROGRESS FULTON COUNTY ARKANSAS

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FULL-RATE DAY LETTER

DIRECTOR DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION U S DEPARTMENT

OF JUSTICE=PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT 9 ST NORTHWEST WASHDC=

BREKID SCHOOL RECORDS SHOW VOLNEY DAVIS BORN TAHLEQUAH

OKLAHOMA JANUARY TWENTY NINTH NINETEEN NAUGHT TWO STOP

INFORMATION FROM SCHOOL RECORDS AND FROM RELATIVES HARRY

CAMPBELL SHOW HE BORN JANUARY FIRST NINETEEN HUNDRED

MCCLINTOCVILLE NEAR OILCITY PENNSYLVANIA STOP NO FURTHER

INFORMATION OBTAINED RELATIVE PLACE DATE BIRTHS WILLIAM

WEAVER AND JESS DOYLE=

BRANTLEY.

Volney Davis born
Tahlequah, Oklahoma, January 29, 1902

Harry Campbell born.

McClintocville, Pennsylvania January 1, 1904
35 yr

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BMA141 45 GOVT COLLECT

LITTEROCK ARK 26 550P

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US DPM OF JUSTICE PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT 9 NW WASHN DC

BREKID MRS NELLIE FRAZIER MAMMOTHS SPRINGS ARK SISTER OF PHOENIX

DONALD ADVISED SHERIFF L G LANGSTON OF SALEM ARK THAT DONALD BORN

LITTEROCK ARK DECEMBER THIRTEENTH EIGHTEEN NINETY SIX BUT NEVER

BAPTIZED STOP SEARCH OF ALL OFFICIAL RECORDS LITTEROCK FAIL TO REVEAL

ANY CORROBORATING DATA

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W27 22 GOVT COLLECT=RG KANSASCITY MO 28 1155A JAN 1935

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=PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT 9 ST NORTHWEST=

BREKID INFORMATION OBTAINED INDICATING MOTHER JESS DOYLE BATHS MR

FRANK WIDOWS CUSHING OKLAHOMA STOP OKLAHOMACITY OFFICE

REQUESTED VERIFY AND ADVISE DIRECT=

=NATHAN 137P.

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US DEPT OF JUSTICE PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT 9 ST NORTHWEST

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RETEL BREKID ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION INDICATES HARR

SAWYER BORN SOMEPLACE IN RUSSIA YEAR EIGHTEEN NINETY

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and offense for which being

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JHW

Time-10:02 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. Tamm

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During a telephonic conversation with Colonel Gates, the Colonel questioned me concerning whether we had taken into custody any one by the name of Bob Knight (?) during the Miami, Florida investigation. I stated that we had no one in custody by that name.

Colonel Gates also inquired as to the length of time I thought it would be before the Miami investigation was completed. I stated that we would be working on it for some time yet.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I. O. #1213
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. #1232, et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM

KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Surveillance of house occupied by Harry G. Stanley, 806 East Adams Street, Pittsburg, Kansas, being conducted by Division Agents. Information obtained through investigation there and in Kansas City set out. Further inquiries at Belton, Missouri, relative to possible whereabouts of Volney Davis and Edna Murray presently unavailing, but strict watch still being maintained at the Noel V. Wood Motor Company, Kansas City, Missouri, for appearance of 1934 Pontiac Sedan Motor No. 1058715, purported to be owned by one Grace R. Hansen. Comparison of latter's handwriting with that of Edna Murray, alias Edna Price, discloses several similarities. List of correspondents of Charles Carroll, with aliases, obtained from files at Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas. File entitled Rex Reisher, with aliases, et al, Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, Victim, White Slave Traffic Act, Kansas City File 31-1862, reviewed in attempt to locate Doris O'Connor; efforts presently unproductive. Extensive inquiry conducted this District relative to Jess Doyle, Edna Murray, Clyde Nimerick, Wynona and Arthur Burdette and Myrtle Eaton and other members and associates of the Karpis-Barker gang. Informant Coffeyville, Kansas, suggests possible contacts for Jess Doyle. Disposition first three arrests William Weaver, alias Phoenix Donald, forwarded to Division. J. Bates apprehended Kansas City, Missouri, by Division Agents 1-19-35, but found to be not identical with any of Subjects in instant case; released from Jackson County Jail, Kansas City, Missouri, 1-26-35 on authority of the County Attorney at Grand Island, Nebraska. Chiefs of Police this District supplied with information relative recent escape Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell from Atlantic City, New Jersey; hospitals also notified. Surveillance of all consignment to George E. Barker, father of Subjects Barkers, is continuing.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Kansas City,
January 4, 1935.

DETAILS:

In connection with the reference report, it is noted that Harry C. Stanley, brother of Edna Murray, the woman companion of Volney Davis, has been residing at 206 East Adams Street, Pittsburg, Kansas, at which place a strict surveillance is being conducted at the present time by Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney and D. A. Bryce of the Kansas City Division office, for the purpose of obtaining, if possible, information which might lead to the detection and apprehension of Volney Davis and Edna Murray, and possibly other Subjects in this case.

On January 11, 1935, contact was made with T. Stowers of the Pittsburg Police Department, Pittsburg, Kansas, in the hope that further facts might be forthcoming relative to any recent activity at Stanley's address. Agents were informed, however, that nothing unusual had taken place since their last visit, and thereafter intermittent watch was maintained over the above named premises. On that date, the Buick car belonging to Harry C. Stanley was the only car observed at or near his residence.

On the morning of January 12, 1935, [redacted] advised that two weeks before, a Pontiac Sedan had driven into the premises at 206 East Adams Street and had parked near Stanley's garage. At that time, [redacted] was busily engaged, but he immediately attempted to reach Agents located at the Besse Hotel and failing in that he did call T. Stowers of the Pittsburg Police Department. - It will be noted here that this is the same car mentioned in the reference report as the one purported to be owned by one Grace R. Hansen, with given address as Belton, Missouri. Full facts relative to prior activities of these people are contained at length in the reference report and will be further reported hereafter in this report. [redacted] have attempted to keep a close watch over any automobiles and persons in them arriving at the above residence, [redacted] adding that on 1-5-35, Stanley [redacted]

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that he and Mrs. Stanley would be gone for a few days to the home of his mother near Baxter Springs; at that time, Stanley also mentioned that his mother was receiving his pension check from the government. The Stanleys were absent for three or four days and then returned to 206 East Adams Street. In connection with the matter of Stanley receiving compensation checks from the Veterans Administration, inquiries were made at Baxter Springs on 1-13-35, but no information of value was obtained. The police officials there furnished the names of five families named Stanley living in that vicinity, but it could not be established at that time whether or not they were related to Harry C. Stanley. The Stanleys located at Baxter Springs are:

Charles C. Stanley, West 11th Street, (located along side the railroad tracks).
Mrs. E. C. Black, Box No. 154, Route No. 5. (Mrs. Black was formerly a Stanley.)

Nathan Stanley, West 15th Street, (northeast corner of Wyandotte and West 15th Street.)

The Pontiac mentioned above which had been observed by some two weeks prior to the Agents' visit was subsequently checked and found to be identical with that mentioned in the reference report, where the investigation by the Kansas City Division office at Belton, Missouri, is set out in full. It will be noted by referring to page four of the reference report that this car is described as a 1934 Pontiac Sedan, motor number 1058715, having 1934 Missouri Registration No. 585-284.

On 1-14-35 [redacted] again called the Agents at the Hesse Hotel, who advised that there was a strange car at the Stanley residence, 206 East Adams Street, and added in explanation that a new looking Buick with two men in it had driven up to the front of Stanley's residence a short time before, and that both men had entered the house and remained there for about an hour, one of the men was described as being

About 30 years of age
5 ft. 11 in. in height
medium build;

the other man was described as being:

About 27 years of age
5 ft. 8 in. in height
heavy set.

After remaining in the Stanley home for about an hour, the two men left, but before their actual departure, Stanley had come out on the

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porch, and the taller of the two men returned to the edge of the porch and shook his finger at Stanley. The car observed [redacted] at that time bore 1934 Kansas Registration 3-4199.

The Kansas State Motor Vehicle Department was called by long distance telephone, and Agent was advised that 1934 Registration 3-4199 had been issued to E. A. Connely, Apartment 106, Senate Apartments, Topeka, Kansas, for a 1933 Buick Victoria Coupe, Motor Number 2859926, Serial Number 2704849; that this registration had been issued January 22, 1934, and no report was on file indicating that it had been stolen. - In a further attempt to determine the identity of the holder of such registration, investigation by Special Agent Martin Kremer of the Kansas City office at Topeka, Kansas, disclosed that no mail had been delivered to Apartment 106 at the Senate Apartments, which is situated at 9th and Tyler Streets, Topeka, Kansas, for E. A. Connely during the past year. The present occupant of Apartment 106 was found to be A. Spouse, who had been living at the above address for approximately six weeks. The mail carrier's records show that Connely had moved to Miami, Oklahoma, on 1-24-34, and that Connely had directed that all mail be delivered to General Delivery, Miami, Oklahoma. The following data were checked with the records of the Motor Vehicle Commissioner's office at Topeka, Kansas:

Kansas 1934 License No. 3-4199.
1933 Buick Victoria Sedan.
Motor Number 2859926.
Serial No. 2704849.

The files further reflected that the above license was issued in the name of E. A. Connely at the above address on 1-22-34. - It should be noted here that this was two days prior to the day on which Connely moved, according to the mail carrier's records.

Inquiries at the Sheriff's office and at the Police Department in Topeka failed to disclose any further information in respect to Connely.

It was further determined that the party who rented the apartment occupied by Connely had used the name J. S. Blakeley, and that the apartment had been rented on 1-16-34. As reference, Blakeley furnished the name of the Jones-O'Neil Shoe Company, Topeka, Kansas. - [redacted]

[redacted] list one E. A. Connely as being employed by the Brown Shoe Company and show his address as Salina, Kansas. However, investigation at the Jones-O'Neil Shoe Company developed the information that no one named Connely or Blakeley had ever been employed by that concern. Consequently, it appears evident that the individual in possession of the Buick Victoria Coupe bearing Kansas 1934 License No. 3-4199 has in

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the post spoken falsely regarding his place of employment and has used an alias. Consequently, in view of the contact made with relatives of Volney Davis, namely, the Stanleys, it is believed highly desirable to ascertain all possible information regarding this individual. Accordingly, a request is being made of the Oklahoma City office to make appropriate inquiries through the post office and other sources of information at Miami, Oklahoma. - It will be noted here that this request has already been made by letter from the Kansas City Division office to the Oklahoma City office under date of January 26, 1935.

On the evening of January 24th, Special Agent D. A. Bryce was called by [redacted] and was informed

that two men had just arrived at the home of Harry C. Stanley. This call was at approximately 5:30 p.m. and the two men, [redacted]

[redacted], had just appeared at Stanley's address on foot with one of them carrying a box similar to a cardboard suit box. After remaining in 206 East Adams Street for a short time, the two strangers entered the Buick owned by Stanley and went to the home of W. H. Boyce, where they remained until 6:30 p.m., at which time they again returned to 206 East Adams Street; it will be recalled at this point, that W. H. Boyce, residing R. F. D. No. 2, Pittsburg, Kansas, is the father-in-law of Harry Stanley, which facts are set out more fully in report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated [redacted] Kansas City, Missouri, 11-17-34, particularly, on pages four and five. - Shortly after the return of these two men, Mrs. Stanley [redacted]

[redacted] had requested additional bed covering, stating that she had company that was staying over night, and adding that one of her visitors was Mr. Stanley's brother. - Surveillance was maintained, consequently, at the Stanley home on January 25th for approximately four hours, between 7 a.m. and 11 a.m., at which time, the two strange men left. - During that time, discreet inquiries made by [redacted] resulted in the information that the two men had arrived in Pittsburg from St. Louis, and that they intended to leave sometime the same day at 11 a.m. The two men left with Harry Stanley in his Buick; they drove to the Moore and Tenny Garage, located on South Broadway, Pittsburg, Kansas, and shortly thereafter left in a black 1934 Chevrolet Coupe bearing 1935 Missouri License No. 37-618. At this time, i.e., the time of their departure, in the latter mentioned car, Stanley did not accompany them. The automobile had a spare tire cover on which was a white and red sign bearing the name "CARL F. ARLY, AMERICAN AND BORGES, TEXAS." The men drove north on Highway No. 73 E and stopped at Franklin, Kansas, to fill the gas tank, and then proceeded on 73 E north to Ft. Scott, Kansas, and left on Highway No. 54. When they reached Iola, Kansas, they stopped to eat and again proceeded west on Highway 54 as far as Eldorado, Kansas. During the trip described above, the Agents remained about one-half mile behind the car, except when entering the towns, at which time the distance was reduced to about one city block. However, at Eldorado, Kansas, due to the heavy traffic, at about 4:30 p.m., the Chevrolet car disappeared from view. - With the hope of again locating the car, if it had remained in Eldorado, the assistance of

the Chief of Police had and a thorough check was made of all streets in the town, but no trace of the car was found. No mention of the parties in the car was made to the authorities at Eldorado; and the highways were checked by the police at Eldorado as far as Wichita, Kansas. The two men observed by the Agents during the time they followed them from Pittsburg, Kansas, to Eldorado, Kansas, are described as follows:

No. 1:

About 25 years old
5 feet eight inches in height
Weight 150 pounds
Light hair
Fair complexion
Well dressed - wearing a long black overcoat and a derby hat
Slender build

No. 2:

About 32 years of age
About 5 ft. 9 in. in height
Weight about 170 pounds
Sandy hair
Ruddy complexion
Stocky build
Well dressed - wearing a black overcoat;
Dark soft hat;
Brown suit.

It should also be noted here that [redacted] stated that the person described as No. 2 resembled the party who had been seen previously at the Stanley home on January 14th, as is set out above, having arrived at 206 East Adams Street, Pittsburg, Kansas, in the Buick car bearing 1934 Kansas Registration 3-4199.

In connection with the above, an immediate check was made, both at the office of the Secretary of State at Kansas City, Missouri, and Jefferson City, Missouri, resulting in the information that 1935 Missouri License No. 37-618 had been issued to one P. L. ~~Paden~~, 3830 Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri, on 1-15-1935, for a Chevrolet Standard Coupe, 1933 model, Motor Number K-14155. It was further ascertained by appropriate inquiries that the car had been purchased from the Sight Bros. Motor Company at 3201 Gillham Plaza on 1-15-35. The State of Missouri, Title Number for this car was found to be 4213177; the records further indicating that there had

been no prior registration for this automobile in the State of Missouri. Accordingly, further investigation in this connection was conducted by the writer at the Sight Bros. Motor Company, 3201 Gillham Plaza, where it was learned that P. L. Paden on 1-15-35 had purchased the above mentioned car, paying \$326.63 in cash and giving his address as 3830 Main Street; the serial number on this car was 5C003-2023. At this address, Mr. A. F. Stowman, Used Car Manager, and Mr. A. Mura, the salesman who had sold the car in this instance, were interviewed at length, and various photographs of the Subjects in this case and their associates, were exhibited, but no identification of any kind was effected. For practical purposes, it might be stated that Mr. Mura, the salesman, was the only one who was in a position to record in any accurate way the description of Paden, and he stated that the latter did not resemble in any way photographs of the persons shown to him. Paden had made only two or three appearances at the Used Car Department of the above motor company, and had stated, parenthetically, that in purchasing this car, he was exhausting the funds at his command, and that he had come from Raytown, Missouri, recently. Aside from these vague details, Mura had no further information to offer, except to give the following description:

21-25 years old;
about 5 ft. 6 in.;
about 135 pounds;
very neat dresser;
light hair;
light complexion;
very slender build.

Inquiries were immediately made at the address given by Paden, namely, 3830 Main Street, where it was discovered that on 1-15-35, he had registered at the Colonial Hotel, which address is 3830-A, Kansas City, Missouri, where he had rented Room 8 at \$3.50 a week. At this address, Mrs. Anna Collier, proprietress of the Colonial Hotel, was interviewed and supplied the following information:

That after renting the above room, Paden had stated to her that he would be gone for a couple of days, but he paid for a week's rent in advance. He again appeared on 1-22-35, paid for another week's rent in advance and was not again seen by Mrs. Collier until about the 24th of January; however, prior to that time, she stated, on two occasions, she had noticed another person present, who was staying in Room 8; that this person, upon being asked, stated that he was a friend of Paden and had simply stayed in his place on two nights; that on the 24th of January, both persons again contacted Mrs. Collier and stated that they were leaving, would be gone for eight or ten days, and in all probability would return to 3830-A Main Street. Mrs. Collier's description of the man known as Paden tallied almost exactly with that supplied by Mr. Mura of the Sight Bros. Motor Company, except

that she stated that Paden had said he was twenty-one years old and, from her observation, he seemed to weigh about 130 pounds, acted very nervous and seemed to be a rather heavy drinker.

The other man mentioned above was described by Mrs. Collier as being

About 35 years old

5 ft. 6 in.

160 pounds

Heavy build.

The registration card which Paden had filled out at the time he first applied at the Colonial Hotel was secured by the writer, upon which appears his signature written by his own hand. This is being held at the present time in the files of the Kansas City Division office. Mrs. Collier seemed to be reliable in every respect and expressed her willingness to immediately notify the Kansas City Division office when either of the above described individuals again put in an appearance at the Colonial Hotel.

It seems quite likely that the two persons indicated above are identical with those observed by Special Agents W. B. O'Mahoney and D. A. Bryce at the Stanley residence in Pittsburg, Kansas, and subsequently during the trip from Pittsburg to Eldorado, Kansas. Further investigation will be conducted at the Colonial Hotel, and the first bit of information obtained indicating that the above persons, or either of them, may have returned to 3830 A Main Street will be immediately acted upon by this office.

By reference to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 1-4-35, particularly on pages four and five, it will be noted that inquiries have been made both at the post office and city marshal's office in Belton, Missouri, for the purpose of ascertaining, if possible, the identity of Grace R. Hansen, purported to be the owner of 1934 Pontiac Sedan, motor number 1058715, which car, as is set out above in this report, was observed at the residence of Harry E. Stanley in Pittsburg, Kansas; and, on 1-7-35, attempts were made to elicit further information in this regard by contacting the postmaster, Mr. Gochneuer, the city marshal, Mr. W. H. Thompson, and Fred Burkhardt, Cashier of the Citizens Bank, all located at Belton, Missouri. - It will be noted by referring to the above mentioned report, that these individuals have expressed their willingness to cooperate with this office in determining the exact identity of Grace R. Hansen, but as yet have been unable to offer any information in this regard.

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Mr. Gochsauer, upon being interviewed on the above date, stated again that no mail had been received at Box 102, which had previously been sent by a man giving his name as Hansen, nor had he again put in an appearance. Mr. Gochsauer further advised that any mail which might be forthcoming would now be placed in the General Delivery Section, inasmuch as the rent for the post office box had only been paid up to the first of January.

Mr. H. H. Thompson, the City Marshal, as well as Mr. Burkhardt of the Citizens Bank at Belton, Missouri, also stated, upon interview, that they had absolutely nothing further to offer in regard to this matter, Thompson stating that the only possible description he could give offer was as follows:

Between 25 and 30 years old.

150 pounds

5 ft. 10 in.

Fair complexion

Blue eyes

Medium slender build

Very well dressed.

From the circumstances surrounding the obtaining of a Belton, Missouri, city license by Hansen, which fact is set out in full on page five of reference report, it appeared evident, according to H. H. Thompson, that the Applicant for such a license was simply trying to obscure his identity, inasmuch as inquiries that Thompson and others had made since the first visit of the writer has developed the fact that no one in the town, or the vicinity of Belton knew, or has ever heard of a G. R. Hansen. Furthermore, inquiries made of Deputy Sheriff H. C. Mc Anally and several other reputable citizens of Belton, Missouri, resulted in the finding that no one by that name had ever been known to live there.

All of the above mentioned individuals promised to keep a sharp lookout for the 1934 Pontiac and for any persons they might observe as not being residents of Belton, Missouri. At the present writing, it has been determined through telephonic communication with the postmaster, city marshal and others at Belton, Missouri, that no further facts relative to Hansen have come in to their hands. However, a strict watch will be continued by the Kansas City Division office on any happenings which might occur in that vicinity. In the same connection, periodic contact has been maintained with the Noel V. Wood Motor Company, Kansas City, Missouri, at which place the above mentioned Pontiac Sedan, 1934 Missouri License No. 585-264, was purchased by Grace R. Hansen.

By reference to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 1-4-35, it will be noted that on several occasions a woman giving her name as Grace R. Hansen has brought in the above mentioned automobile for servicing, and that on each occasion, there was every indication that the car had been driven very hard. Consequently, appropriate arrangements have been made so that this office will be immediately notified as soon as the car is again brought in for any adjustment whatsoever.

Mr. G. E. Douglas, Sales-manager of the above company, as well as every individual who will be in any position to know when the car is brought back, has promised to cooperate fully in this regard. Consequently, upon receipt of any information that this Pontiac car is again at the Noel V. Wood Motor Company, appropriate steps will be taken to determine the identity of its owner. - It will be noted that on 1-4-35, a complete record of the services performed on this car, together with its corresponding mileage, was obtained by the writer and is being kept in the Kansas City Division office files. - When checking the registration in the office of the Secretary of State in Jefferson City, Missouri, a certified photostatic copy of Certificate of Missouri Title for Pontiac Sedan, Motor No. 1058715, carrying the owner of such car as one Grace R. Hansen, was obtained. This certificate of title bore what purports to be the original signature of Grace R. Hansen, and under date of 1-18-35, the same was transmitted to the Division for purpose of comparison with the specimen of the handwriting in the form of a signature of Edna Murray under her alias Edna Price. - Referring to Division letter to this office under date of 1-26-35, the Division advises that a comparison of the handwriting appearing on the above mentioned photostatic copy with that of Edna Murray, alias Edna Price, discloses several similarities. Consequently, although no positive identification of photographs has been made, either by officials of the Noel V. Wood Motor Company, or by the persons mentioned above, residing at Belton, Missouri, appropriate steps will be taken as soon as possible to accurately establish the identity of the owner of this car.

Reference is made at this point to the reports of Special Agent R. E. Hall, dated at Detroit, Michigan, September 5, 1934, December 3, 1934, and December 21, 1934, in respect to Charles Carroll, with aliases. It will be recalled, by reference to the above reports, that a Division abstract of the criminal record of Charles Carroll, alias Charles Winterhalter, No. 30222, was found on the premises of 4419 West 171st Street, Cleveland, Ohio. - Inasmuch as it was ascertained from this record that Carroll had once been incarcerated at the State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, an investigation at that institution was conducted on 1-4-35 by Special Agent R. G. Reed of the Kansas City Division office, with the following results:

Carroll was incarcerated in the Kansas State Penitentiary because of his escape from a cell at the Kansas Industrial Reformatory at Hutchinson, Kansas, on March 6, 1929, in company with Larry O'Keefe, K. B. I. R. #7108, George Hill, K. B. I. R. #6297, and Alvin Karpis, K. B. I. R. #7071.

The photograph of Carroll taken at the Kansas State Industrial Reformatory, as well as one taken at the Kansas State Penitentiary, has been obtained, and these photographs are being retained in the Kansas City Division office file.

Attention is directed to reports of Special Agent J. M. Mc Grath, dated at New Orleans, Louisiana, 12-20-34 and 1-15-35, and to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan dated at Kansas City, 1-4-35, on page two, in respect to Rex Reiser, with aliases, a former associate of Doris O'Connor. - As was indicated in the latter report, a complete review of the file entitled Rex Reiser, with aliases, et al, Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, Victim, White Slave Traffic Act, Kansas City File No. 51-1862, has been conducted by the writer in the attempt to locate, if possible, Reiser, or any of his associates, so that appropriate inquiries can be made looking to the apprehension of Doris O'Connor. The Kansas City address of Reiser, Subject in the above mentioned White Slave Traffic Act case, is given as 2412 Elmwood Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, which is now vacant. Also, a complete survey of the places where his associates were residing in Kansas City at that time has disclosed that practically all of them have since moved, leaving no forwarding addresses. However, it has been determined that one Mrs. J. C. Nelson, now residing at 2636 Paseo Street, was at the time of the investigation in the above mentioned White Slave case cognizant of many of Reiser's activities. Accordingly, attempts are being made at the present time to locate and interview her for the purpose of ascertaining, if possible, information which might lead to the location of Reiser. - With reference to the report of Special Agent J. M. Mc Grath, wherein the address of Reiser's father, Edward L. Reiser, is given as 8000 Independence Road, Kansas City, attempts were made to locate this person, both at the above address and at other places set out in the Kansas City File No. 51-1862. From the results obtained, however, it has been determined that the Reisers have long past departed from the above address on Independence Road, leaving no forwarding address, and, at the present time, their whereabouts are unknown. However, it is thought that by contact with Mrs. Nelson, above mentioned, it may be possible to ascertain the names and present address of others formerly associated with Reiser, and thereby the latter's present location may be arrived at. - It should be noted, also, that at the present time, appropriate inquiries are being made of relatives of Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, who, it will be noted, was the Victim in the White Slave Case, in which Reiser was the Subject. - A result of these inquiries will be duly recorded in subsequent reports.

The file of Charles Carroll, with aliases, K.S.P. No. 1049, was reviewed thoroughly, reflecting that he had been received at that institution on July 29, 1929, via the Kansas State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, from which institution he had escaped. He was released from the Kansas State Penitentiary on January 3, 1932, upon expiration of sentence. The file jacket shows his nativity as Indiana; age 35(1929); education, high school; unmarried; occupation - electrician. Father and Mother dead. No brothers or sisters. A letter dated December 12, 1925, from Stanley Taylor, Assistant County Attorney at Eldorado, Kansas, disclosed that Carroll had been arrested in that town for burglary, along with Earl Dee of Enid, Oklahoma; that upon investigation, Taylor believes Carroll's real name is Charles Winterhalter, and that he was raised and resided at New Albany, Indiana. There also was on file [REDACTED]

Another telegram contained in the file disclosed that C. J. Martinson, Chief of Police, Bismarck, North Dakota, on 6-21-32, had wired that he had in custody Charles Carroll, K.S.P. No. 1049, and Ed Taylor, alias Theodore Williams, K.S.P. No. 2518. (No disposition noted). The file further contained a letter from Fred C. Spohn, F.P.E. (fingerprint expert), Sheriff's office, Geauga County, Chardon, Ohio, dated 7-24-34, asking if Carroll were a parole violator. There also was on file a Grant of Citizenship Pardon to Carroll, dated February 6, 1932, from Governor Harry Woodring.

The correspondence record of Carroll, while at the Kansas State Penitentiary, is as follows:

Letters sent:

Mr. Ted Plants, El Reno, Oklahoma. (uncle)
Mr. Lyman Wetzel, 810 South Topeka Street, Wichita, Kansas.
Mr. R. B. Weston, Coates House, Broadway and 10th, Kansas City, Mo. (forward to Chicago.)

Letters received:

L. W. Wittsell, 810 South Topeka Street, Wichita, Kansas; (possibly identical with "Mr. Lyman Wetzel," above.)
L. R. Weston, Coates House, Kansas City, Missouri.
L. M. Laws, Wichita, Kansas. (uncle)
L. O'Keefe, Lansing, Kansas.
R. B. Murton, Chicago, Illinois.
Earl Thomas, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

In response to a telegram from the Division, dated January 20, 1933, requesting that they be furnished with the place and date of birth of Jess Doyle, and also the names and addresses of his relatives, a thorough investigation, both at Kansas City, Missouri, and the Kansas State Penitentiary, as well as at Coffeyville, Kansas, and other points, was made by Special Agent W. F. Trainor, the results of which are set out in the following memorandum prepared by him:

Memorandum by Special Agent W. F. Trainor.

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From the file of the case entitled Vernon C. Miller, with aliases, et al., Conspiracy to Deliver Federal Prisoner, there was secured a correspondent's record of Jess Doyle which had been taken from the records of the Kansas State Penitentiary at Lansing several months ago. This correspondent's record is quoted as follows:

Letters Sent

No. 9845	Name Jess Doyle	Sent. 3-17-27	Term 5-10	Crime Burg. & 2d Larceny
	From Labette	Min. 5-6-31	Max. 4-21-35	

Age - 36 - Mechanic - White

Name	Address	Relation	Date
Tom Hill	So. Coffeyville Okla. Box 56	1927 F.	5/8 23 12/30
Miss Mary Murphy	Coffeyville Kas. Box 71	1928 Fd.	3/23 4/23 5/14 6/14 8 9/17 24
C. F. Gowdy	Nowata, Kas.	1927 Atty.	11/26
Miss Katherine Carnes	Coffeyville, Kas. Box 71	1928 Hous.	10/8 22 23 11/20 26 12/9 21 1929 1/8 21
Walter S. Keith	Coffeyville, Kas. Box 307	1927 Atty.	10/8 1928 5/13 4/13
W. D. McCrabb	Independence Kas.	1928 Sheriff	8/6
Miss Gloria Doyle	Coffeyville, Kas. Gen. Del.	1928 Sis.	5/14 21 24 28 6/4 11 25 7/2 16 23 9/6 1930 9/2
Mr. Sheffield Cordry	Parsons Kas.	1929	6/4
Yon. Wm. D. Atkinson	Parsons, Kas. Kas.	1928 Judge	8/9

Letters Received

Jess Doyle

Number 9845

Name	Address	Relation	Date
Mrs. Dolores Gray	Joplin, Mo. 123 1/2 Main	1927 Sis.	4/29
Miss Mary Murphy	Coffeyville Kas. Box 71	1928 Fid.	Cash 2.00 5/29 6/30 1929 1/8
Tom Hill	Coffeyville Kas. Box 56	1927 F.	mo. 20.00 4/30
C. F. Gocidy	Nowata, Okla. Box 367	1927 Atty.	12/1
W. S. Keith	Coffeyville Kas.	1927 Atty.	4/30 5/8 10/26 1928 5/13 6/14
Gloria Doyle	Independence Kas.	1928 Sis.	5/4 5/10 12 13 5/21 26 6/5 28 7/15 9/4 11/24
Bell Doyle	Tulsa, Okla.	1930 Sis.	Cash 1.00 4/18 cash 5.00 8/29
Sheffield Cordry	Parsons, Kas. Clerk Court	1928	8/25 1929 5/7
Miss Katherine Carnes	Coffeyville Kas. Box 71	1928 Cous.	10/11 21 11/24 12/15
Kate	Coffeyville Kas.	1928 Cous.	9/21
Geo. Nelson	Frederick Kas.	1930 Fnd.	7/9

An effort was made to verify the addresses of the supposed relatives of Jess Doyle through telephonic communications with Postmasters at Coffeyville, Kansas; Independence, Kansas, and Joplin, Missouri, but it was found at these places that Miss Mary Murphy, Coffeyville; Gloria Doyle, Coffeyville, and Dolores Gray,

Joplin, are not receiving mail there and they are unknown to Post Office officials.

A report was received on 1-24-35 by Special Agent in Charge R. E. Nathan from Major Wint Smith of the Kansas State Highway Department that Patrolman Jack Spaulding had reported to him that he saw Jess Doyle at the roadhouse of Tom Hill in South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, within one week prior to 1-24-35. However, it appears that Spaulding was not at the time alleged in possession of any information that the Division desire the apprehension of Jess Doyle and it is evident that his statement regarding the location of Doyle was made after noticing in the newspaper that Jess Doyle had been indicted in this case at St. Paul, Minnesota. From previous investigation it is known that Spaulding has a criminal record and he is not considered entirely reliable. Special Agent in Charge Nathan communicated telephonically with the Oklahoma City office, furnishing the information as coming from Wint Smith. Special Agent Paul Hansen of the Oklahoma City office was directed by Special Agent in Charge Brantley to meet Agent Trainor at the Dale Hotel at Coffeyville, Kansas, on 1-25-35. Joint investigation was made by Agent Hansen and the writer to determine whether Jess Doyle has recently been at the establishment of Tom Hill; also other inquiries were made concerning the relatives and friends of Doyle in the vicinity of Coffeyville.

On 1-25-35 Agent Hansen interviewed [redacted] Agent [redacted] Hansen's interview will be reported by him. It appears that [redacted] stated that he has not seen Jess Doyle during recent months and that he is not in possession of information regarding the names and addresses of relatives of Jess Doyle.

The writer made contact with Harry A. Neal, former Deputy Sheriff of Coffeyville, Kansas, residence 205 West 7th Street, telephone number 2765 at that place. Neal has been cooperative and very helpful in past investigations. He met Agent Hansen and the writer at the Dale Hotel on 1-25-35 and advised as follows:

Mary Murphy, who is shown on the correspondents record of Jess Doyle, is identical with the wife of F. E. (Jack) Carnes, otherwise known as Katherine Carnes. It will be noted that Katherine Carnes is shown on the correspondents record of Jess Doyle as a cousin. However, Neal stated that she is thought to be no blood relationship to this Subject. Jack and Katherine Carnes reside at 305 West 12th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas, their phone number being 1344, listed in the name of F. E. Carnes. Jack Carnes is a bootlegger and recently was released from the County Jail where he was held due to an automobile accident in which a lady pedestrian was injured. Jess Doyle is known to be a sweetheart of Mrs. Jack Carnes and Neal believes that Jess is still "playing" her. Neal stated that there was a robbery of a mail truck at Coffeyville, Kansas, some three months ago, believed to be 11-5-34. No one has been

18. arrested in connection with that matter, but Neal, through a confidential informant, has been advised that Jess Doyle planned the job although he is not known to have taken actual part in it, while he is thought to have been at Coffeyville at that time. Neal also has information through confidential source that the bank robbery in the vicinity of Coffeyville was perpetrated about one week after the Post Office job and that Doyle is said to have taken part in that. The details of the bank robbery or the location where it took place are not at this time known. Neal stated that he understands that Doyle, identical with Howard Lansdon, well known bank robber who frequents Kansas City, Missouri, is a running mate of Jess Doyle. It is said that Howard Lansdon and Doyle spend part of their time in Kansas City, Missouri, and also have hang-outs in the States of Nebraska and Iowa, although the locations of these places are not known to the informant of Neal. While the name of Neal's informant was not mentioned, he stated that he feels that he can secure further information from him when same is available and that he will immediately transmit it to the Kansas City office or to the Oklahoma City office, the addresses of which he was furnished.

Neal is not aware of the identity of any one named Gloria Doyle or Dolores Gray. He stated that while he has seen Jess Doyle a few years ago when he hung out around Coffeyville, he does not know from whence Doyle originally came and he does not know the names or addresses of any of his relatives. Neal believes that Tom Hill of South Coffeyville originally protected Jess Doyle and he stated that to his knowledge Jess Doyle was "put on the spot" by Tom Hill during the early part of 1927 when he was sent to the Kansas State Penitentiary. He believes that Tom Hill at that time was endeavoring to double cross Earl Doyle, now serving a life sentence in the Michigan State Penitentiary, and that through an effort to cause Earl Doyle to be caught Jess Doyle became implicated in a charge of robbery of the Pfeiffer Jewelry Store of Parsons, Kansas, for which he was convicted and sentenced to the Kansas State Penitentiary. In that instance Tom Hill and Earl Doyle, who is said to be no relation to Jess Doyle, were acting as "fences" for stolen jewelry. The jewelry which was stolen from the store at Parsons, Kansas, was received by Earl Doyle and probably by Tom Hill. Some of this jewelry was found in possession of Jess Doyle. It turned out that Earl Doyle was not prosecuted at that time although facts were developed through the apprehension of Jess Doyle which did implicate Earl.

Neal stated that Tom Hill would probably know considerable information regarding Jess Doyle. However, it is Harry Neal's opinion that Jess Doyle will bear a grudge against Tom Hill, providing he has learned the real facts in connection with his methods in double crossing him at the time of his apprehension on the jewelry robbery charge.

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Neal stated that it is his information that Jess Doyle is now in bad health, being afflicted with a severe case of gonorrhea and possibly with tuberculosis. He has been told that Doyle is partially bald and that he has lost considerable weight, having sunken cheeks and an emaciated appearance at this time.

Neal stated that Mrs. Jack Carnes would, without a doubt, know of the whereabouts of Jess Doyle a great deal of the time. However, he advised against any open interview with her, stating that she is a consort of thieves and that she would not cooperate knowingly. He stated, however, that he has been well acquainted with her for a number of years and that if it is possible for any one to secure information from her he believes he can do so in a round about way either from her or her husband. This he will endeavor to do and he will furnish such information to the Division office either at Oklahoma City or Kansas City.

It is said also that the Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa, Oklahoma, made the investigation of the mail robbery which occurred at Coffeyville as mentioned heretofore and that a file reflecting the investigation of that department might be found with the Post Office Inspectors at Tulsa.

Neal also stated that a man named Clarence McCullough, otherwise known as Squint, a gambler and confidence man, formerly operated the dice table in the gambling house of Tom Hill at South Coffeyville. He stated that McCullough was recently arrested at Tulsa, Oklahoma, where there is now a charge pending against him for some confidence game. He believes that if properly approached Squint McCullough might furnish information relative to the location of Subject Doyle since he is well acquainted with him and could probably secure data as to his whereabouts through the underworld. It is Neal's opinion that if it were worth while for Squint McCullough to do so he would cooperate with the Division in this respect. McCullough is now said to be out on bond in the State case at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and Harry Neal suggested that through the cooperation of the local prosecutor at Tulsa some agreement might be made whereby the cooperation of McCullough could be secured looking toward the apprehension of Jess Doyle and possibly others wanted in this case with whom McCullough is acquainted. Agent Hansen is developing this angle at Tulsa. It is stated that McCullough's home is at Coffeyville, Kansas, and his father, whose first name is unknown to Neal, resides there somewhere on West 11th Street.

Neal stated that he is not aware of any local contacts of Harry Campbell or Alvin Karpis except that a year or two ago when these parties were said to have come through Coffeyville he heard that they used to stop at a small filling station and barbecue stand operated by a former bar tender of Tom Hill, which place is located near Coffeyville. However, Neal does not believe that there are any contacts now being made through that source by Campbell and Karpis.

Neal stated that he is acquainted with Walter S. Keith, attorney at Coffeyville, who is shown on the correspondents record of Jess Doyle as having communicated with him while at the Kansas State Penitentiary.

Neal stated that Keith engages in a legal practice which is considered "shady" and that he drinks heavily and is now said to possibly be using narcotics. He does not believe that Walter S. Keith is in communication with any of this mob at present, but he believes that if Keith secures any information regarding their whereabouts that he, Neal, could obtain the information from him and he will endeavor to do so. He stated that Keith is a peculiar sort of person and that on some occasions he is communicative and on other occasions he is not. At the earliest opportunity Neal will endeavor to secure whatever data Keith may give.

At the Post Office at Coffeyville it was ascertained that P. O. Box 72 there, to which it is noted communications of Mary Murphy and Katherine Carnes were directed by Jess Doyle from the Kansas State Penitentiary, was rented during 1927 by Mrs. Georgia (J. D.) Hamilton; that woman operated a rooming house at 1024 1/2 Walnut Street in Coffeyville for several years, including 1927 and 1928, at which place she operated a house of prostitution. Mrs. Hamilton on 4-25-34 left a forwarding address for her mail to be delivered at Oroville, California, Merrimack Star Route. It was ascertained that the maiden name of Mrs. Hamilton was Georgia Share. John D. Hamilton, her husband, according to Harry Neal heretofore mentioned, was known as White Hamilton and was an automobile thief. He was killed at Coffeyville several years ago.

Thorough search of the Post Office at Coffeyville failed to disclose any record of Gloria Doyle ever having received mail or having left any forwarding address. A search of the records of Katherine Carnes and Jack Carnes, who were arrested at 305 West 12th Street, Coffeyville, Kansas, on 1-15-34, and taken to the Kansas City office for a short time, also failed to disclose any record of Gloria Doyle.

Investigation was made through the Post Office at Independence, Kansas, where it was ascertained that an extended search of the records failed to disclose that Gloria Doyle is now receiving mail. No record of her having received mail or leaving any forwarding address could be located at Independence.

It was ascertained that W. D. McGrabb, shown on the correspondents record of Jess Doyle and who was former Sheriff at Independence, Kansas, is now an agent of the Alcoholic Tax Unit and said to be employed at Joplin, Missouri. Future interview will be had with him.

Interviews were had with Mel Gibson, Sheriff at Independence, Kansas, and with Deputy Sheriff D. M. Farlowe. Both of these officers are familiar with Jess Doyle, but were unable to furnish any information that might be of assistance in locating him.

Alvie E. Johnson, night Chief of Police at Independence, Kansas, was interviewed and stated that he assisted in the arrest of Jess Doyle near Coffeyville during the latter part of 1936 after which Doyle was convicted of the theft of jewelry from the Pfeiffer Jewelry Store at Parsons, Kansas. He stated that at that time a man, whose first name he does not recall but whose surname was Manger, was arrested with Doyle. It is his recollection that Manger was removed to the State of Nebraska for prosecution and that Doyle was prosecuted at Parsons, Kansas. He stated that Walter McGrabb, the Sheriff at Independence at that time, assisted in the arrest of Doyle and Manger and might have other information regarding these parties.

Special Agent Hansen has close contact with Gene Haverfield, Deputy Sheriff at Nowata, Oklahoma, whom he considers reliable. He stated that he would take the matter up with Haverfield and that if Jess Doyle is frequenting the establishment of Tom Hill, Haverfield will secure definite information as to this and furnish it to him. During the interview with Harry Neal the same matter was mentioned and Neal stated that he does not believe Jess Doyle has been at Tom Hill's place recently or else he would have secured the information himself through his confidential informant who learns what transpires at Hill's place. He will, however, bear this in mind and if Doyle appears there he will notify the Kansas City office and the Oklahoma City office. Agent Hansen and the writer also had an interview with George Tobler, Deputy Sheriff at Coffeyville, who stated that he does not believe that Jess Doyle has been around Coffeyville recently, however, he will make a special endeavor to determine whether he is frequenting Tom Hill's establishment and he will take him into custody in the event he finds him or will notify the Kansas City and Oklahoma City offices if he learns that he has recently been there.

The writer endeavored to secure records of any long distance telephone calls from the telephone of F. E. Carnes and Katherine Carnes, phone number 1334 at Coffeyville, however, the local manager of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, C. T. Lewis, advised that he would be unable to furnish this information due to the regulations of his company.

The writer has made contact with John Mohler, Assistant General Attorney of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Kansas City, Missouri, and Mr. Mohler is having C. T. Lewis forward the long distance toll tickets for the past three months pertaining to the telephone of F. E. Carnes to Mr. Mohler in Kansas City, at which time they will be inspected by an Agent of this office.

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At the Kansas State Penitentiary careful review was had of the file of Jess Doyle, prison register number 9845, to determine any additional information that may be of assistance in locating him.

Doyle was received at that institution on 5-19-27 from Labette County, Parsons, Kansas, charged with a crime of burglary 2nd degree and grand larceny, under sentence of five to ten years. He was released on expiration of sentence with good time on 6-17-32. The date of his birth is shown as 11-4-00.

His correspondence record was further examined and is identical with that quoted heretofore.

There was found a letter dated 10-24-27 to the prisoner from Walter B. Keith, Attorney, Coffeyville, Kansas, advising that Ray Terrill, thought to be a prisoner in the State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, had again robbed the Pfeiffer Jewelry Company and that Terrill had informed Mrs. Pfeiffer that he had robbed the jewelry store on the previous occasion and that Jess Doyle was not guilty. It appears probable that Doyle and Terrill may be closely acquainted.

There was found a Western Union telegram dated 7-30-28 addressed to prisoner Doyle at the penitentiary quoted, "Dear brother be there tomorrow Tuesday sure your sister." signed Gloria. The telegram appears to have been sent from Coffeyville, Kansas. Due to the regulations of the prison, making it necessary that correspondents show some relationship with the prisoner, it is evident that Gloria Doyle might be no relation to the prisoner. It is thought likely that Mrs. Jack Carnes may have been the party who used the name Gloria.

According to the prison records, Doyle indicated when he was received at the Kansas State Penitentiary that for six years prior to that time (March, 1927) he had resided at Cushing, Oklahoma. It is probable that he may be known to local peace officers at Cushing.

According to the record of the "Prisoner's Interview" at the Kansas State Penitentiary, Doyle furnished information that he had never served in any reform school and that he was received at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary on 4-21-21 to serve a term of thirteen years and four months on conviction of grand larceny (auto theft) and that he was discharged during August, 1926. He shows his place of birth only as Georgia and his nationality as Irish, born in the United States. His occupation is shown as mechanic. He advised that he had a fourth grade school education; that he did not drink, use narcotics or chew tobacco and that he did smoke. He indicated that both of his parents were living and his mother was Mrs. Frank Widows of Cushing, Oklahoma. He furnished his father's name and address as William Doyle, Tulsa, Oklahoma. He indicated that he had three half-brothers named Willis, Ray and Robert

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Doyle, address not shown, and one half sister, given name Cassie, surname not shown, address now shown. He indicated that in case of death the prison authorities should notify Mrs. Frank Widows, Cushing, Oklahoma. Doyle stated in his prison interview that he had left home at the age of eight years due to the divorce of his father and mother and that he was arrested for the first time when nineteen years old, place and charge not shown.

Doyle also indicated in his prison interview that he was not guilty of the charge for which convicted at Parsons, Kansas, and that in connection with his arrest on that charge he had been in possession of a watch and a ring given to him by a friend named John Lockwood as a gift. He stated he was a machinist by trade and that at the time of his arrest he had in his possession mechanic tools and the jewelry above mentioned; that he was accused of the theft of this jewelry from the safe of the Pfeiffer Jewelry Company at Parsons, Kansas, and that the tools which he had were identified as having been used in opening the jewelry company vault.

It is noted from the file at the penitentiary that by letter dated 11-2-34 Thomas J. Higgins, Chief of Detectives, Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, requested a photograph of Doyle and that same was furnished to him. The occasion for this request is not known. While Mr. Higgins might have certain information regarding Doyle it is not deemed desirable at this time to approach him. Mr. Higgins is under indictment in the Federal Court in connection with a perjury charge. However, this inquiry on the part of the Kansas City Police will be borne in mind.

It appears that if Jess Doyle has connections in Kansas City, Missouri, and spends part of his time here he may be associating with Howard Lansdon, alias Dago Howard, alias Duetch; that individual was said by Michael James LaCapra, who furnished valuable information in connection with the Kansas City massacre case, to be a friend of his; LaCapra, Lansdon is quite well known to have been one of the parties implicated in the killing of the late John Lazia, underworld leader at Kansas City. Several weeks ago June Kathrens, close friend of Frank B. Malloy, a subject in the massacre case, informed Special Agent H. E. Anderson and the writer that he had information that Howard Lansdon had been killed or "put on the spot" by Kansas City Italian gangsters although he did not know where the killing occurred and there has been no public announcement of the same. Pearl Raymer, who has been frequently mentioned in this file, is thought to be a contact of Howard Lansdon as previous investigation has developed. It is also known that Howard Lansdon keeps company with a married woman named Mrs. Brooks of Kansas City, Kansas, whose husband is employed in a furniture store there. The writer intends to have a further interview with Michael James LaCapra within a short time in an endeavor to secure all possible information regarding the associations of Jess Doyle with the Kansas City mob here indicated in an endeavor to locate Doyle.

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While in the Kansas State Penitentiary, Mr. Wilson, the Record Clerk, was interviewed regarding any possible information which he might be able to secure from Jack Glynn of Leavenworth, Kansas, who Mr. Wilson indicated is a friend of his, regarding the location of Jess Doyle. Wilson stated that several weeks ago Glynn informed him that Jess Doyle had completely disappeared from this part of the country. He stated, however, that in a round about manner he will further quiz Glynn and secure any possible leads of value in this connection which he will, if secured, furnish to this office. It is not believed that an open interview with Glynn at this time would be beneficial until other investigation is completed in Kansas City and near vicinity. It was stated by Wilson incidentally that he understood Jess Doyle, when in the penitentiary, to say that he had certain friends at Kansas City who were connected with the Riverside Race Track. He did not mention the names of those parties. It is reflected by this file that Jack Glynn was employed as a special guard at the Riverside Race Track at Kansas City during the racing seasons. He may have information which he will furnish to Mr. Wilson that will be of value.

The Oklahoma City office and the Division were advised telegraphically regarding the probable location of the mother and father and other relatives of Jess Doyle in the Oklahoma City territory and the Division was notified telegraphically that investigation has failed to develop the identity of the other relatives of Doyle in the vicinity of Coffeyville, Kansas, which are shown on his correspondence record and which were originally furnished to the Division by this office on 1-24-35.

Investigation is continued in an effort to determine any additional contacts of Doyle in Kansas City and vicinity and a further report will be rendered shortly.

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It will be noted that among the correspondents of Jess Doyle while incarcerated at the Kansas State Penitentiary at Lansing, Kansas, as is set out above, was one Mrs. Dolores Gray, 123 1/2 Main Street, Joplin, Missouri, and reported to be a sister of Jess Doyle. Following the unsuccessful attempt to verify this address by telephonic communication with the postmaster at Joplin, Missouri, an investigation was conducted in the latter city by Special Agent L. S. Vandover, the result of which is as follows:

Contact with E. J. Boggs, Superintendent of Mails, Joplin, Missouri, on 1-25-35, and a subsequent search of his records, failed to reveal any person by the name of Dolores Gray residing in Joplin at the present time, or during the year 1927, at which time, the file of the Kansas State Penitentiary shows she communicated with Jess Doyle. Furthermore, the city and telephone directories disclose no information concerning this party, nor were there any available facts forthcoming from Don G. Price, Mail Carrier at 123 1/2 Main Street; the latter was unable to recall any party by that name residing there during 1927, stating that at the present time the whole neighborhood surrounding this address is given over to houses of prostitution. Inquiries were also made of Ed Portley, Chief of Detectives, Joplin, Missouri, and a thorough examination of the police department records there disclosed no information concerning a Dolores Gray. The same result was reached by inquiries made at 123 1/2 Main Street, which at the present time is a house of prostitution. - It was further stated by the authorities in Joplin, Missouri, that 123 1/2 Main Street is situated directly across the street from the Police Department, lending to the opinion, therefore, that the authorities in Joplin would have known Jess Doyle's sister if she resided at the above address during 1927, consequently, it is considered quite patent, the relationship of "sister" to Jess Doyle, as shown by the list of his correspondents contained in the Kansas State Penitentiary files, is fictitious. - The information concerning the place and date of birth of Jess Doyle and also the names and addresses of his relatives, as is set out in above memorandum prepared by Special Agent E. F. Trainor of this office, was communicated to the Division by telegram under dates of January 24 and January 25, 1935. - It is also noted in this connection, that further investigation already conducted by Special Agent Trainor at the Kansas State Penitentiary was in response to request contained in Division letter to the Oklahoma City office dated January 23, 1935.

With reference to telegram from the Division dated 1-24-35, requesting that the latter be furnished with the date and place of birth of Edna Murray, No. 28973, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, it was subsequently ascertained by referring to the report of Special Agent J. J. Keating dated November 9, 1924, at New Orleans, Louisiana, in the case entitled Earl Stucklick, et al, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, White Slave Traffic Act, that Edna Murray was born in Marion, Kansas,

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A search of the records of the Missouri State Penitentiary also disclosed her parents are now residing at Cardin, Oklahoma. It will also be noted, in this connection, from this report and previous reports, her brother Harry C. Stanley is now living at 206 East Adams Street, Pittsburg, Kansas, and a brother Mott Stanley residing in Commerce, Oklahoma.

Under date of January 24, 1934, this office was requested by the Division to furnish them with the first three arrests of William Weaver, alias Phoenix Donald, listed on Page 80 of the report of Special Agent B. E. Nicholson, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, August 16, 1934. In response thereto, it was ascertained that disposition of Weaver's arrest which occurred in Joplin, Missouri, July 20, 1918, was unavailable, through lack of Police records. Disposition of his second arrest was found to be in possession of the Oklahoma City office, which office was advised to furnish the Division with such information. The third arrest of Weaver given as Garden City, Kansas, July 26, 1922 - disposition, "released." These facts were also communicated by wire from this office to the Division under date of January 24, 1935.

At this point, reference is made to the report of Special Agent O. C. Dewey, dated at Omaha, Nebraska, 12-24-34, in which the Kansas City office was requested to ascertain any possible information available regarding Clyde Nimerick at Parsons, Kansas, which is reported to be his birthplace. In this respect, investigation was conducted at Parsons, Kansas, on January 22, 1935, by Special Agent V. R. Clary of the Kansas City Division office, with the result that no information concerning the birth of Nimerick could be found, after a searching inquiry had been made into the birth records now in the possession of Mr. Dale Raymond, City Clerk, Parsons, Kansas; no complete records, according to Mr. Raymond, were kept prior to June, 1911; he further stating that the only way he knew of checking this birth would be to ascertain the name of the attending physician. Likewise, an examination of several old city directories, voters' registrations and the records of the Oakwood Cemetery (this latter for the period of 1871 to present date) failed to indicate that anyone by the name of Nimerick had ever resided in this city. A search of the school records in the possession of Miss Maud Long, Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools, resulted in no findings on Clyde Nimerick under that name, or any of his known aliases. Also, inquiries made of Miss Kate Ferguson, Principal of Mc Kinley School, and Miss Nora E. Smith, Parsons High School, failed to reveal anyone by the name of Nimerick had ever been in attendance at the Parsons Schools. It was definitely ascertained that both of these teachers had been connected with the Parsons School System since about 1900.

Pursuant to facts communicated to this office by Mr. E. J. Connelley, Special Agent in Charge, under date of January 20, 1935, with which was transmitted a map of the State of Kansas found in the home which had previously been occupied by Fred Barker, Kate Barker, Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette at Ocklawaha, Florida, this office under date of January 22, 1935, communicated by letter with the Philadelphia office, stating that an examination of the map, which contained pencil marks indicating a route from Ottawa, Kansas, to Cherryvale, Kansas, with the writing "16/73 W", indicated that the figures on it undoubtedly related to highways traced over by pencil, running between Cherryvale and Ottawa. It was also called to the attention of the Philadelphia office that State Road 16 runs from Cherryvale to Earlton, Kansas, and at a point slightly north and east of Earlton joins Highway 93 W, which proceeds to Ottawa and continues north; route 16 continues south from Cherryvale into Oklahoma and at Collinsville, Oklahoma, joins route 75, which continues into Tulsa, a distance of approximately twenty miles from Collinsville. Attention was particularly invited to these facts, inasmuch as it is noted that the relatives of both Wynona Burdette and Harry Campbell reside in that section of Oklahoma, and that Wynona Burdette is known to have been in Oklahoma until recently; consequently, it was deemed desirable to forward the map to Philadelphia, in order that Wynona Burdette might be questioned concerning the same. - Under date of January 24, 1934, this office had been advised by letter from the Philadelphia office that Wynona Burdette maintained the only time she saw this map was in the sitting room of the home occupied by Fred Barker and Kate Barker at Ocklawaha, Florida, when she was living there. She was questioned closely as to what road they traversed in going from Ponca City to Ocklawaha, Florida, to which she responded that she went directly to Oklahoma and thence into Texas, where she crossed the Mississippi River at a point unknown to her. She further stated that at no time was she in the State of Kansas, nor did Harry Campbell show her the above mentioned map. Furthermore, she professed ignorance of whose handwriting it might be, stating that she was quite positive that it was not Harry Campbell's. This map has been returned to the Kansas City Division Office, where it is now contained in that office's files.

Subsequent to the receipt of information by this office from the Division in telegram dated January 20, 1935, to the effect that Subjects Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell had engaged in a gun battle with Atlantic City, New Jersey, policemen, and that both above mentioned Subjects had effected their escape, leaving behind Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette, - Special Agent in Charge R. B. Nathan of Kansas City Division office was notified telephonically by a representative of the Kansas City Star that the latter organ had received a telegram from its correspondent at Coffeyville, Kansas, to the effect that one Arthur Burdette had formerly been a radio operator at Coffeyville and was presently residing on Erie Street in Saginaw, Michigan; that this individual was a painter by trade and was

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also engaged from time to time as a singer and as a pianist in night clubs. The informant further related that Arthur Burdette was a brother of Wynona Burdette and, consequently, a possible connection of Harry Campbell.

By inquiry of Special Agent D. A. Bryce, who was formerly connected with the Oklahoma City Police Department, Special Agent in Charge R. E. Nathan further advised that [redacted] was well known to the Oklahoma City Police Department, particularly to Lieut. of Detectives Earl Gardner, and that [redacted] had at one time been used as an informant by the Tulsa Police Department.

Telephonic communication was had with Acting Special Agent in Charge G. A. Stevens at Oklahoma City requesting an immediate inquiry in Tulsa, and that the Detroit office be advised direct of any further information obtained.

These facts were communicated in toto to the Detroit office, by letter under date of January 23, 1935, and subsequently by letter under date of January 24, 1935, at which time the Detroit office was advised that inquiries by Special Agent W. B. O'Mahoney at Coffeyville, Kansas, disclosed the fact that apparently the original information indicating the possible presence of Arthur Burdette in Saginaw came from one Melvin Drake, a radio announcer. Agent O'Mahoney had ascertained that Arthur Burdette was in Coffeyville for a short time several months ago, at which time, he was associated with the orchestra known as the "Arkansas Travelers," which band had broadcast for the Coffeyville Radio Station. After leaving Coffeyville, Drake had received a card from Arthur Burdette, which was, to the best of his recollection, mailed at Erie, Pennsylvania; however, he subsequently heard, through discussion with acquaintances, that the latter was now located in Saginaw, Michigan.

Agent O'Mahoney was further informed that Arthur Burdette had in the past broadcast for Station K V O, Tulsa, Oklahoma, with his sisters, named Eunice, Jim and Ruth. At the time the inquiries were being made, some of the members of the Arkansas Travelers were broadcasting and were interviewed by Agent O'Mahoney. They, however, had no definite information as to the present whereabouts of Burdette.

It was also learned that the orchestra above mentioned would play for a dance on the night of January 24, 1935, at 416 South Detroit, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and it was, accordingly, thought that contact should be had with one Bob Mayfield, leader of the said orchestra, in the possibility that he might possess definite information as to the present whereabouts

of Burdette. The latter information was transmitted by telephone to Special Agent in Charge Brantley of the Oklahoma City office, in order that the above mentioned Mayfield might be interviewed.

It should be noted here, that the investigation concerning Burdette, which is set out above, was prompted for the most part by the information communicated to the Kansas City office by the representative of the Kansas City Star newspaper, as has been mentioned above, at which time, the attention of this office was called to newspaper dispatches indicating the probable presence in Monroe, Michigan, on January 22nd of Campbell and Karpis. It was, accordingly, deemed expedient to locate, if possible, the present whereabouts of Arthur Burdette, in the event Karpis and Campbell sought sanctuary with him in Saginaw, Michigan.

In connection with the above Subjects, namely, Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, the following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Thomas E. Stakem at Springfield, Missouri, the results of which are set forth as follows:

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On the evening of January 24, 1935, Agent was advised by Earl Wrensch, Assistant Chief of Police of Springfield, Missouri, that he had been informed that Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis had visited a party by the name of Harlow Wilson, of Ozark, Missouri, at 10 a.m., January 23, 1935.

At Police Headquarters Agent met Detective Baker Owens of Springfield, Missouri, and he told the following story. On January 24, 1935, he had been called by Ben Bilyen, who told him that Harry Campbell and another man whom he thought was Karpis had visited his brother, Harlen Bilyen, on Wednesday morning, January 23, 1935. He stated that Harlen had been so upset over the occurrence that he had come to Springfield to tell him about the matter and to ask his advice about reporting to the police. Baker Owens advised Agent that he then had talked to Harlen Bilyen and his wife, and he had been so impressed with the information that he had immediately reported it to his chief. He stated that both Mr. and Mrs. Harlen Bilyen had positively identified Harry Campbell's picture as that of the man who visited him.

Agent, in company with Mr. Owens, visited the home of Ben Bilyen, 222 Bower Street, Springfield, Missouri, and Mr. Bilyen repeated the following story in Agent's presence. He stated that Harry Campbell is known to his whole family. About 12 years ago Mr. Bilyen advised he and his brothers, Sam and Harlen, were residing on farms near Spokane, Missouri; that their cousin, Roland Williams, of Sapulpa, Oklahoma, had visited his mother, who was residing near Spokane, Missouri, and at that time he brought Harry Campbell, who was then about 18 or 20 years of age, with him. Explaining his relationship with Roland Williams, Mr. Ben Bilyen advised that Williams' mother and his mother were sisters. Their name before marriage was Hilton.

Harry Campbell and Roland Williams stayed in Spokane about two or three weeks and spent considerable time at the home of Ben and Marlen Bilyen. After the pair had been around for about two or three weeks they were suddenly jumped by two deputy sheriffs, who attempted to arrest them. Mr. Bilyen said that both Williams and Campbell started to run and the two deputy sheriffs had fired at them. Roland Williams fell wounded and Harry Campbell escaped. It was then discovered that Williams' ear had been half shot off. He was taken into the town of Osark, Missouri, and held in the county jail and then released to authorities from the state of Oklahoma, where he was wanted on some charge, which Bilyen believes was bank robbery. Mr. Bilyen said he could not recall the city to which Roland Williams was taken, but he thought it was Beggs, Oklahoma.

Page 31. Mr. Bilyen stated that this was the first his family had known that Roland Williams was implicated in any robberies and he later found out that he was a member of the Ray Terrell gang of Oklahoma. He later learned that Harry Campbell and Roland Williams had been traveling together for about two years.

Mr. Ben Bilyen advised Agent that he would know Harry Campbell any place and said his nose had a peculiar twist to it that could be spotted in a minute. A group of pictures was shown Bilyen and he readily picked the picture of Harry Campbell and said it was a good likeness of the Harry Campbell he knew about twelve years ago. He added that he had seen Campbell's picture in the Springfield, Missouri, paper shortly after his fight in Atlantic City with police officers, but he had hesitated to inform police of his knowledge of Campbell. Mr. Ben Bilyen stated that he had been surprised when his brother, Harlen, of Ozark, Missouri, visited him January 24, 1935, and told him that Harry Campbell had paid him a visit on Wednesday morning.

Mr. Ben Bilyen agreed to accompany Agent and Detective Owens to Ozark, Missouri, for an interview with his brother. Harlen Bilyen was located at his home one mile south of Ozark, Missouri, on U. S. Highway #65. He confirmed his brother's story concerning the relationship of Roland Williams and also his first meeting of Harry Campbell. Mr. Harlen Bilyen was allowed to tell his story of his acquaintance with Campbell without interruption, and his story of Campbell's visit with Williams and his escape from the officers near Spokane, agreed in detail with the information already given by Ben Bilyen. He then went on to state that about 10 a.m. Wednesday morning, January 23, 1935, he heard a knock at the back door and when he opened it the man standing there said, "I bet you don't remember me." Harlen said he took a second look at the man and said, "You are Harry Campbell", whereupon the man had answered, "That's right." Harlen Bilyen said he saw a coupe, which appeared to be about a 1932 or 1933 model Chevrolet, sitting in his driveway, and noticed another man in the car and also he noticed that the motor of the car was kept running.

He then invited Campbell in and sat and talked with him for about three quarters of an hour. During the conversation Campbell asked where Roland Williams was and he told him that he had just gotten out of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary about a year ago and was now living at Seminole, Oklahoma. Campbell also asked where Ben Bilyen was and he had told him that he lived on Mower Street in Springfield, Missouri, but could not remember the number. Mrs. Bilyen had then called from the kitchen that the number was 328.

Mr. Harlen Bilyen stated that he told Campbell he was living on the square and did not want to get into any trouble. He stated that he and Campbell had talked about the shooting scrape in Atlantic City, New Jersey, and Campbell had said, "We sure made those cops take the tall timbers; we aimed to kill them all, but they run." He also stated that they had tried to get their women folks, but were unable to do so.

Bilyen said that he wanted to ask how Campbell had found his place, but he did not like to do so. He told Campbell that Roland Williams was trying to live on the Square since his release from the penitentiary.

During the conversation no mention was made of why the other fellow preferred to sit in the car. Bilyen said the only thought that kept passing through his mind was to get rid of Harry Campbell so he would not get himself into trouble. He advised that no mention was made of a hide-out or where Campbell intended going, and Bilyen said he was afraid to ask. He also stated that he did not look out the window to see which way the men left, nor did he try to get the license number of the car.

Mr. Bilyen was shown a group of photos and promptly picked the picture of Harry Campbell as the man who visited him. He also gave the following description of Campbell:

Age	32 or 33
Height	About 5' 8"
Weight	140 to 145
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Build	Medium slender
Complexion	Fair

He also advised that the peculiar twist of Campbell's nose was very noticeable. Campbell, he advised, wore dark trousers, a dark grey overcoat, and a grey cap. He kept his overcoat on all the while he was in the house.

Mrs. Harlan Bilyen verified her husband's story and readily picked Campbell's picture from the photos shown her. She advised that she had not known Campbell previously since his previous visit was before her marriage to Harlan Bilyen. She advised Agent that she had thought it funny that the man should stay in the car and keep the motor running. She stated that she had looked out the window and had seen the man in the car. She could not, however, give a description of the man in the car, except to say that he was a dark complexioned youth and wore a cap. She also failed to particularly note the kind of the car or the license number. She was of the opinion, however, that the car was about a 1932 or 1933 Chevrolet coupe. She was sure it was a black coupe, but could not be positive about the model.

Mr. Harlan Bilyen stated that after the men left his wife and he had talked the matter over and had decided that the best thing to do was to talk it over with his brother Ben in Springfield; accordingly, he had come to Springfield, Mo., on January 24, 1935, and after talking to Ben they had called Detective Baker Owens of the Springfield Police Department and reported the matter to him.

It was thought possible that Campbell had visited the farm of Sam Bilyen, located four miles southeast of Spokane, Missouri, so Agent, in company with Detective

Owens and the two Bilyens, proceeded to this farm. The Bilyens advised that Roland Williams has a sister, Helen Tate, who resides near Sam Bilyen's place, and said that if Sam or his folk were informed of the nature of our business it would only be a short time before it would reach Roland Williams. Agent then pretended to be interested in a land trade, since Ben and Harlen Bilyen had advised that Sam Bilyen was trying to sell his farm. Sam Bilyen was not at home, but Effie Brown, sister of the Bilyen men, was present and during conversation with her it was established that no visitors had been there in over a week. When Agent and Ben Bilyen were preparing to leave Effie Brown said, "I see where Harry Campbell had a shooting scrape in Atlantic City and that he is being hunted up in Michigan." No mention had been made of his name up to this point. Effie and Ben then talked back and forth about Harry and she stated that it had been so long ago since she saw him that she probably would not know him.

All of these facts were discussed by phone with R. B. Nathan, Special Agent in Charge at Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. Nathan later advised Agent that Harlen Bilyen had been the claimant in a War Risk Insurance case wherein he had sued in the name of his wife, Mrs. Bertha Bilyen, as his guardian. In his claim Veteran alleged that he was suffering from mental disorders. This claim was disallowed.

Agent then conducted an independent investigation at Ozark, Missouri, to determine definitely whether or not Harlen Bilyen was mentally sound. Inquiries made from Mr. Bruce Maples, Postmaster, Mr. Norman Dutton, Assistant Postmaster, Joe Monger, Sheriff, Charles F. Boyd, attorney, Mr. E. M. Bishop, Justice of the Peace, and former Sheriff, and Mr. W. G. Webb, resident of Ozark, Missouri, for forty-five years, reveal that Harlen Bilyen is mentally sound and has nothing wrong with his mind. All these men advise that his wife's father arranged matters so that Harlen Bilyen is paid a large monthly compensation, reputed to be about \$80.00 a month, on the grounds that his being gassed has caused mental disorders. However, all men interviewed expressed the opinion that Harlen was mentally OK and stated that his compensation should certainly be looked into. It is common knowledge around Ozark that Harlen is an extremely lazy man and is living an easy life on the government's money, which he does not rightly deserve. Agent desires to note that during the interview with him, Harlen Bilyen acted in a normal manner at all times and gave no indication of an unbalanced mind.

Through inquiry at Ozark, Missouri, it was determined that E. M. Bishop was Sheriff of Christian County, Missouri, from 1921 to 1924, inclusive. Agent interviewed Mr. Bishop at his office in the Court House, Ozark, and questioned him about Roland Williams. He immediately recalled the incident and said that about 1922 he had received information from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, that Roland Williams, wanted on either a bank robbery or post office robbery, was visiting his mother at

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Spokane, Missouri. He was cautioned by Oklahoma officers to be careful in taking Williams, as he was considered dangerous. He stated that his son, Glen, who was his deputy, took his second deputy and together they went to Spokane in search of Williams. They also took along a man called Link Davis, who was to point Williams out to them. Mr. Bishop stated that his son had come upon Williams and another fellow by the name of Campbell and when he tried to arrest them both Campbell and Williams had started to run. The two officers had opened fire on the two and had shot off half an ear from Williams and captured him. Campbell had succeeded in getting away, although it had been believed he was wounded. This fact had never been definitely established. Mr. Bishop was asked if he remembered Campbell's first name and answered that he believed it was Harry Campbell and also that he was known to be from Oklahoma. Mr. Bishop said that he did not believe that Campbell was wanted on the charge for which Williams was arrested. Mr. Bishop stated that he had never seen Campbell but believed him to be about 18 or 20 years old at the time of the shooting.

Agent also conducted investigation at all of the gasoline stations and lunch stands for several miles around the Bilyen home, and no person could be found to have seen the car that visited Bilyen, and nobody had made inquiries about the location of the Bilyen home.

Both Ben and Harlen Bilyen advised Agent that they were giving this information not for any hope of reward, but because they did not want it to be known that they were harboring such characters, and stated that men such as Campbell and Karpis would only serve to get a man killed. Both men were given the address and phone number of the Kansas City Division Office and advised that in the event they are ever contacted by Campbell or Karpis they will immediately notify the Kansas City Division Office.

Inquiry at the police department at Springfield, Missouri, and the Sheriff's office, Ozark, Missouri, reveals that the entire Bilyen family are considered bad characters. Ben has served time in the penitentiary for conspiracy to violate the National Prohibition Act. His son has served time on a National Motor Vehicle Theft Act charge and Harlen has been arrested numerous times for drunkenness and fighting. They are considered possible contacts for underworld characters.

Respectfully submitted,

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The pertinent details concerning the facts disclosed in the investigation set out above were communicated to the Division by telegram under date of January 25, 1935, and also to the Oklahoma City office under the same date, requesting that appropriate inquiries be made at Seminole, Oklahoma. It will also be noted at this time that further investigation is being conducted at the present time by this District, and further developments will be duly reported.

With reference to a letter from the Omaha office under date of December 19, 1934, with which were transmitted to this office the photographs of Walter Gray, alias Clark Carr, Clarence R. Walker and Benj. T. Gates, relative to a possible connection these men might have with a bank robbery reported to have occurred recently in Missouri, possibly near St. Joseph, and also to a possible connection between Gray's former wife and Myrtle Eaton, a thorough investigation was conducted by this office at the Kansas City, Missouri, and Kansas City, Kansas, Police Departments, the Kansas City office of the Burns International Detective Agency and the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department, in the hope that information might be obtained, which would prove beneficial in ascertaining the present whereabouts of Myrtle Eaton. The records of the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department, alone, disclosed information concerning Walter Gray, and had no record of the other two individuals. Gray's many aliases, together with the offenses known to the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department, were communicated to the Omaha office by letter dated January 17, 1935, with the additional notation that as regards recent bank robberies in the vicinity of St. Joseph, Missouri, no one had been killed in recent offenses of that nature, and Gray had not been known to have been a participant in any such robberies. It was stated by W. W. Davis and B. T. Andrews, who are in charge of the records of the St. Joseph, Missouri, Police Department, that the only fatality of that kind, which had been brought to their notice, was the one following the robbery of a bank sometime last November at Kinney, Nebraska; on that occasion, a man by the name of Brodell was killed. It is thought, in this connection, from information available at St. Joseph, Missouri, that Brodell is identical with Earl Keeling, who met his death following participation in a recent bank robbery at Kinney, Nebraska.

Attention is directed at this point to letter from Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois, dated 12-6-34, to which was attached a letter received at the Chicago Division office on December 3, 1934, addressed to Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis, from Charles J. Harris, 306 West Main Street, Cherryvale, Kansas. In this letter, Mr. Harris advised Special Agent in Charge Purvis of his sorrow over the death of the late Special Agent Hollis, stating that he had assisted Agent Hollis while the latter was conducting investigations at Tulsa, Oklahoma, about a year ago. In addition, he stated that he believed he could locate Subjects Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis, in pursuance to which statement, investigation was made by Special Agent W. B. O'Mahoney of this office at Cherryvale, Kansas, for the purpose of obtaining possible information rela-

five to the present whereabouts of Karpis. It was learned, however, that Mr. Harris is located at the present time in the Veterans Hospital at Wichita, Kansas, where he has undergone an operation for appendicitis. The information was to the effect that Harris would probably remain there for about another month, during which time he would be again contacted, and any pertinent information regarding this case will be duly reported.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 1-4-35, and particularly to pages eight and nine, wherein facts relative to the recent visit of Mrs. Tillie Longquest and her daughter Barbara to the family of J. H. Cross at Leona, Kansas, are set out. This investigation, it will be recalled, was conducted on the information furnished to the Kansas City Division office that the Longquests were people known to Mildred Kuhlman, supposed associate of Doc Barker. Despite the fact that it is known at this time that the latter Subject is in federal custody, for matter of record, the subsequent inquiries made at Leona, Kansas, relative to these people are herein set out.

At Leona, Kansas, on 1-11-35, through the efforts of Deputy Sheriff George Larsen of Doniphan County, Kansas, and Postmaster Dennis at Leona, Kansas, it was ascertained that Mrs. Tillie Larsen and her daughter Barbara had terminated their visit in Leona and had departed apparently for Chicago, Illinois, their home, in their Pontiac car, which, according to information previously afforded this office, bore 1934 Illinois license plates #52-529. The date of the Longquests departure from Leona, Kansas, for Chicago, was approximately the 7th of January. As far as was known to Postmaster Dennis, no other people had appeared in Leona, Kansas, for the purpose of visiting the Cross family, stating in explanation of this, that if anything of that sort had occurred, it would surely have been brought to his notice.

Recent inquiries have been made at Topeka, Kansas, by Special Agent R. G. Reed of the Kansas City Division office, relative to the information that Alvin Karpis' mother is now presently residing in Topeka, Kansas, staying with the Grooms family. In this respect, it will be noted that Sheriff Dean Rogers of Topeka, Kansas, called by telephone January 7, 1935, and advised this office that he had received the above information, stating that Mrs. Karpis had been in Topeka since Christmas Day. He further narrated that neighbors had reported that she had been seen on several occasions coming out on the porch in all kinds of weather, apparently waiting for someone. An automobile has also been seen to drive by the place and leave hurriedly. Rogers was of the opinion that Mrs. Karpis might be waiting on the porch for Alvin. Accordingly, on 1-9-35, Sheriff Dean Rogers was interviewed by Special Agent R. G. Reed, when the latter was informed that the information in the possession of Rogers had come from one Bob Barnes, a horse trader living at 1240 North Monroe in North Topeka; this is the southeast corner of the intersection, the home at 1236 North Monroe being that occupied by the Grooms family. Barnes had stated to the

Sheriff that he had perceived the somewhat mysterious actions of Mrs. Karpis around Christmas time, but, according to Rogers, the same information had never been corroborated by anyone else, although attempts had been made to watch that address. - Upon being openly interviewed, Barnes advised that he had worked with Karpis' father and knew Alvin and his parents well. He recognized Karpis' photograph from a group of pictures and stated that about Christmas time his, Barnes', little girl, who occasionally goes over to the Grooms house to buy milk, had told him that an old lady was there, who could not speak English very well. It was after that, according to Barnes, that he saw Mrs. Karpis on the front porch all bundled up and looking up and down the street as if she were expecting someone. No one, however, put in an appearance, although Barnes had been told by his wife that one night after Christmas, around 9 p.m., a car drove up without lights, waited a minute and then drove away at high speed, going about a block before turning on the lights. When asked as to the possible appearance of any other suspicious persons in or about the Grooms home, Barnes stated that he had not seen anyone, and that the last time he had seen Mrs. Karpis was on Sunday, January 6, 1935. According to Sheriff Rogers, just what credence can be placed in the information afforded by Barnes is debatable. However, a list of the children of the Grooms family was obtained by Special Agent R. G. Reed from Deputy Sheriff Ed Mays of Topeka, and they are as follows:

Albert Grooms
Evelyn Grooms
Robert Grooms
Alfred Grooms.

In this connection it should also be noted that information has been received by this office through the above mentioned Sheriff at Topeka, Kansas, that on approximately the seventh or eight of January, a post card was forwarded, apparently by Subject Karpis's mother to Mrs. Dorothy Karpis, 21 1/2 East Brady, Apartment 10, Tulsa, Oklahoma. This post card is, in effect, as follows:

"I arrived here all O.K. Topeka just like Chicago.
Don't know anybody here."

The substance of this information was furnished to Special Agent J. B. Little of the Oklahoma City office by telephone on January 10, 1935. - Appropriate inquiries will be continued at Topeka, and any developments therefrom will be promptly reported.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent M. C. Spear dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 12-19-34, and particularly to page ten, paragraph four. Therein is set out recent investigation made to ascertain the identity of the party, or parties, who used the telephone No. Webash 5662 on January 24, 1930, and the subsequent finding that the said phone had been installed on 4-1-29 in the name of M. L. Holmes, 3809 Bales, Kansas City, Missouri, and had been discontinued on 6-6-30.

In setting out the above facts in Special Agent Spear's report, attention was called to the report of Special Agent B. P. Cruise, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 10-6-34, at which time, it was stated that the above telephone number was thought to be involved in the activities of Earl Stucklick. As regards the latter, it will be recalled that Doris O'Connor, wanted in connection with this case, was formerly the woman companion or the wife of Earl Stucklick. Concerning the true identity and possible connection in this case of M. L. Holmes, further investigation has been pursued by this office in the attempt to ascertain what connection Holmes might have with subjects in the instant case. - Through the cooperation of Mr. John Mohler, Assistant General Attorney of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Kansas City, Missouri, it was ascertained that, at the time Holmes applied for service, he gave as a reference one George Mc Granahan, located at the Jenkins Music Company, Kansas City, Missouri. - the writer was informed upon making inquiries at the latter concern, that Mr. Mc Granahan, although still connected with the Jenkins Music Company, is now located in Wichita, Kansas. Consequently, further investigation in this respect will be conducted as soon as possible.

Likewise, by reference to the same report of Special Agent M. C. Spear, it will be noted that the list of long distance telephone calls made to telephone Webash 5662, also included the No. 20613 at Topeka, Kansas, which on 1-25-30 was listed in the name of W. L. Reed. - In this connection, an investigation was conducted on 1-16-35 by Special Agent Martin Kremer of the Kansas City office for the purpose of determining the identity of W. L. Reed, with the result that, Special Agent Kremer was informed by S. L. Harris, General Attorney for the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company at Topeka, Kansas, that the telephone records concerning the telephone No. 20613 in the name of W. L. Reed, which had been in existence on January 25, 1930, have not been preserved. Consequently, further inquiry in this particular respect, is not deemed expedient at this time. - It will be noted that a complete list of all long distance telephone calls made from the above number during the time the phone was installed is contained in the files of the Kansas City Division office.

In response to telegraphic request from Mr. E. J. Donnelley at Chicago dated January 8, 1935, that the name and address of the owner of the automobile bearing 1934 Missouri license plates No. 360-660 be immediately furnished the Chicago Division office, it was ascertained through telephonic communication with the Missouri State Highway Patrol that 1934 Missouri license plates 360-660 had been issued to R. Guttman, 1014 A Mc Causland, St. Louis, Missouri, for a Buick Automobile, motor number B 5346. - Inasmuch as no further descriptive information was available in this District, the St. Louis office, under date of January 8, 1935, was telegraphically requested by this office to obtain and forward more descriptive information, which was done by telegram, dated 1-8-35, at which time, the Chicago office was advised in addition, that the St. Louis City Directory listed one Robert A. Guttman as an investigator for Gallant, Hannigan and Summer, a St. Louis law firm. In this respect, it was subsequently ascertained that Mr. Guttman had lived in the same apartment in which Russell Gibson was residing at the time he was killed. It was further learned by contact with Mr. Hannigan, as has already been reported to the Chicago office by the St. Louis office in a letter dated January 11, 1935, that on the night of the shooting, Mr. Guttman had parked his car in front of the above mentioned apartment building, affording possibly the reason for the request for information regarding Missouri 1934 license No. 360-660.

For the information of offices receiving copies of this report, relative to additional characteristics of Subjects whose apprehension has not as yet been effected, there is being set out facts concerning the persons wanted by the Division in connection with this case, which were disclosed by Mrs. Frances Nash, while in Kansas City recently in connection with the Kansas City Massacre Case.

Before departing for her home, Mrs. Nash advised Special Agent W. E. Scott of the Kansas City Division office that she would be only too glad to give to the Division any information she had at present, or any which she might obtain at a later date, relative to any of the Subjects in this case. Mrs. Nash reviewed very thoroughly all photographs of Subjects and suspects both in the Bremer Kidnaping and Kansas City Massacre files and divulged the following information concerning same:

JESS DOYLE: The photograph of this individual, she states, is very good; that he seemed to pal around quite a bit with the Barkers; he is tall and slim; drinks frequently and gets drunk on every such occasion; he loves to play punch boards and slot machines, and, in the opinion of Mrs. Nash, would most likely hang around gambling joints; stating, in addition, that he is a very neat dresser.

CHARLES FITZGERALD: Toledo Police Department #9010 is a very good likeness of this individual. He has a very peculiar walk, walks in a swinging manner. His hair is very gray and he appears somewhat elderly. He likes to get on a big drunk, "raise hell" and play around with the women. He claims he was at one time in the oil business and had a wife named Bell, who just seemed to "nag around with him" but did not enter into his activities.

ALVIN KARPIS: Kansas State Penitentiary #1539. This is an especially good picture of Karpis, whom she knew as Ray. He has a complete set of false teeth. Mrs. Nash stated he twitched his mouth in a very peculiar manner; that he dressed very neatly at all times and was the "college type" of person, and that he was one of the crowd who wore a hat instead of a cap.

JO ANN ARMOUR: Mrs. Nash advised this party had visited Doc Stacci's place in Chicago, but she knew nothing at all about her.

HARRY CARLTON: No. C-16239. Reference is made here to reference report (Report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, dated 10-6-34 in the Kansas City Massacre Case, especially with reference to the statement made by Mrs. Frances Nash set out therein, where Mrs. Nash advised that this party was known as "Lord Plushbottom." Upon being shown a photograph of Carlton, Mrs. Nash immediately identified this photograph as being that of the individual known to her as Lord Plushbottom. She advised he was very friendly with Doc Stacci and Sawyer, and that he lived at Rocky Stacci's for some time, Rocky Stacci being a brother of Doc Stacci; that he was very friendly with the Barkers and Karpis, as with her late husband, Frank Nash.

The individuals described above by Mrs. Nash in her interview with Special Agent N. O. Scott do not include all of the persons concerning whom she talked; however, the others which are not being carried at this time are Subjects Doc Barker and others, whose apprehensions have already been effected. Consequently, their names are not being included in this recapitulation.

On 12-9-34, Special Agent N. O. Scott of the Kansas City Division office submitted a memorandum stating that an informant of Major Wint Smith, head of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, had stated that one Frank Mason, alias Frank Middleton, residing in Kansas City was closely connected with the Karpis-Barker gang and was possibly in possession of information concerning the handling of some of the Bremer ransom money. Acting upon this information, the writer contacted Deputy Sheriff John Kelly at the Sheriff's office of Jackson County, Missouri, at Kansas City, where it was learned that the Mercer Hotel, reputed by the above mentioned informant to be the residence of Frank Mason, was known to be a "hot spot" and a place

frequented by questionable characters. Although the true identity of Mason could not be established at the time inquiries were made, such as through Deputy Sheriff Kelly and Willie Irwin, Jail, Jackson County, Missouri, the writer has informed the Kansas City Division office to be made to ascertain further information concerning this case through other local contacts of Kelly and Irwin, and that the Kansas City Division office would be immediately made cognizant of any developments.

In this same connection, namely, that information concerning the Subjects whose apprehension has not as yet been effected might be obtained through informants claiming to have an old acquaintance with those individuals, the writer, on 1-15-35, appeared at the County Jail at Jackson City, Missouri, and there interviewed Arlie N. Eslinger, who is being held at that point pending his removal to Muskogee, Oklahoma, on a federal charge of counterfeiting. This individual was contacted for the purpose of ascertaining, if possible, any information he might possess, inasmuch as he had stated to the Deputy Marshal that he wanted to furnish facts to the Division, which would assist in apprehending any of the above mentioned Subjects. He stated, upon interview, that he had served time at the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, both with Doc Barker and Volney Davis, and professed to know the latter especially well. He stated that this acquaintance had sprung up prior to the time of his incarceration, but that he became more intimately acquainted with him while at McAlester. However, when questioned as to recent movements of these Subjects, he stated that he had no further information to offer, inasmuch as the last time he had seen either Doc Barker or Volney Davis had been in 1932. He added, that he had been a barber practically all his life, and in that way had naturally come in contact with practically all of the inmates of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. - Consequently, it is thought at this time that Eslinger could be of no material assistance in locating either of these men, inasmuch as most of his answers to inquiries put to him were evasive and indefinite.

By reference to the report of Special Agent A. E. Miller, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 12-17-34, and letter from the Kansas City Division office to the Division under the same date, with which were transmitted three papers in connection with the sale and registration of Ford Sedan motor number 899365, it will be noted that the Bill of Sale from one E. J. Powell, dated October 10, 1934, to the Finance Outlet Company of Kansas City, Missouri, was among those included in this transmittal for the purpose of obtaining, if possible latent fingerprints, so that a comparison might be made with those of the individuals wanted by the Division in connection with this case. - In Division letter to the Kansas City Division office, dated January 5, 1935, this office has been advised that three latent prints were developed on the above mentioned Bill of Sale, and were compared with the fingerprints of the individuals involved in instant case, without effecting an identification.

In accordance to request made by the Division, this office shall be made with all persons who were at the time acquainted with the Barker-Karpis gang in this District, in order that they might advise this office, should they choose to again see these parties. Personal contact was had by the writer with the managers and other persons actively in charge of various apartment houses formerly patronized by members of this gang, and their associates.

A review has been made of report of Special Agent R. J. Geoffrey, dated at Kansas City, Missouri, 7-29-32, in the case entitled: Francis L. Keating, with aliases, et al, Escaped Federal Prisoners, Kansas City File 76-474. This report deals with investigation made by the Kansas City Division office in Kansas City and vicinity immediately after the apprehension of Thomas Bolden, Francis Keating and Harvey Bailey at Kansas City on July 7, 1932, and indicates the presence in Kansas City, Missouri, immediately, or shortly prior to the date of those apprehensions of several members of the Barker-Karpis gang. Accordingly, at the present time there is contained in the files of the Kansas City Division office the names of the various hotels and apartments in Kansas City, Missouri, where the various names individuals stayed, and the period of their residence being indicated where available. In all cases the photographs of the individuals sought by the Division in the instant case were exhibited to the managers and other persons actively in charge, and cooperation has been promised the Division, in event any of these individuals put in an appearance at the places they formerly patronized. Copies of the appropriate Identification orders have been left for reference purposes of the desk clerk and other employees who would be the first to receive apartment guests at the time of registration. Likewise, they have been cautioned not to leave the identification orders where same may be seen by the general public, as such would undoubtedly scare any Subject away. Contact has also been made with various garages, the names of which are listed in the memorandum contained in the Kansas City Division office files, which have been patronized on previous occasions by the Subjects and their associates.

In connection with other activities being pursued by this office, with the hope of obtaining information concerning the present whereabouts of any of the Subjects in the instant case, it is noted at this time that on January 9, 1935, Mr. H. B. O'neer of the Kissel-Skiles Motor Company called at this office, having been interviewed by Special Agent in Charge R. M. Nathan, and advised as follows:

On 12-4-34 an individual giving the name of Howard Morrison came to the place of business of the Kissel-Skiles Company for the purpose of renting an automobile. He gave the name of Chief of Detectives T. W. Higgins as a reference and was brought to the motor company by John Costello of the Kansas City Police.

A car was rented to this man, which he kept for several days, and on 12-13-34 was given another because of a slight accident to the first which he had.

Nothing was heard from Morrison for some time with the exception of a number of phone calls received by the rental company from persons giving the names of Anderson, Wilson and Morrison, in which they would ask the amount of the bill and indicate that the car would be returned.

On 1-7-35 a woman, giving the name of Mrs. Jessie Howard Chidester, came to the rental company and inquired concerning this automobile on the theory that it had been rented by her husband. She had in her possession the license number and other identifying information concerning the car.

Mrs. Chidester resides at 3304 Campbell, telephone number Valentine 4092 and is employed as cashier at the Price Candy Shop, 51st and Troost. She gave information to the effect that a girl by the name of Odo Miller, who resides at the Labelle Hotel, 622 East 15th Street, Kansas City, is the girl friend of her husband, and that her husband was planning to kidnap one of their children; that her husband was supposed to be working as an informant for the Kansas City Police Department in an effort to locate Alvin Karpis and one of the Barkers.

Mr. O'Rear stated that from inquiries which he had made, it had been determined that Morrison is probably identical with Chidester and that he at one time served in the Kansas State Reformatory at Hutchinson, Kansas, with Karpis and possibly with one of the Barkers.

Mr. O'Rear has talked to Higgins and has been advised that Morrison or Chidester had made a proposition to the Kansas City Police Department that he could put Karpis and others on the spot if the police would cooperate with him in the obtaining of an automobile. From the conversation with Higgins, he gathered that this man has probably been to Des Moines and Omaha in the rented car.

On one occasion, when Mr. O'Rear received a telephone call, the individual calling stated that his name was Anderson, and that he was at 4510 Mill Creek Road. This individual advised that his understand-

ing was that the charges for rental of the car were about \$30.00 and that he would bring that sum to Mr. O'Rear. He did not appear. On or about 1-8-35 another call was received by O'Rear to the effect that the car was in a parking station at 14th and Baltimore and the car was recovered there from the 14th Street Garage.

From Mr. O'Rear's conversation with Mrs. Chidester, he gathered that her husband was in fear of one Walter De Vore, a chef at the Washington Cafe, 11th and Washington Streets, Kansas City, Missouri. According to her, this man is badly wanted on some charge.

Mr. O'Rear advised that the second car rented to this man was a 1934 V-8 Ford Coach, black, and bearing Missouri 1934 license #30-936. It had the motor number V 18-1165467. When recovered by O'Rear it had been driven approximately 2500 miles and the first car which this man had had been driven about 1000 miles.

An examination of the rental card signed by Morrison showed that he gave his address as 516 West 30th Street, Kansas City. He stated that he had been employed for two years by the "Etna" Insurance Company, Topeka, Kansas, at the Hotel Kansan, Topeka, as an agent. He further stated that he had been employed by the Kansas City Police Department for thirteen months at Station No. 1; references were J. J. Higgins and Sergeant Louis Myers.

Mr. O'Rear furnished this information for whatever value it might have in connection with our investigations. He is endeavoring to obtain a settlement of the bill through the Police Department. He advised Mr. Higgins that he was going to report the whole matter to this Division, at which time Mr. Higgins told him that the Kansas City Police Department would cooperate with him in every way in an effort to recover the car which had not then been found.

The description of the renter of the car is as follows:

Age - 30 years
Height - 5 feet 11 inches
Weight - 156 pounds
Eyes - brown
Hair - dark brown
Complexion - medium dark

According to Mr. O'Rear, Mrs. Chidester appeared to be a reputable woman.

In regard to the above, an attempt has been made at the Washington Cafe, 11th and Washington Streets, Kansas City, Missouri, to observe Walter De Vore, chef at that cafe, in order to ascertain whether De Vore may possibly be one of the Subjects, or associates, involved in the Bremer Kidnaping, or the Dillinger, case. However, it has not yet been possible to ascertain the true identity of De Vore, but the same will be done at the earliest opportunity and duly reported.

Due to the recent demise of Fred Barker and his mother, Kate Barker, and also to the recent apprehension of Doc Barker, communications have been addressed to

[REDACTED SECTION]

In this connection, the attention of the St. Louis office is being directed to the fact that the Kansas City Division office is in receipt of a letter addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Davis, Neosho, Missouri, postmarked Moberly, Missouri, December 27, 1935. On the back of the envelope, the return address was set out as JAMES E. SCOFIELD, MOBERLY, MISSOURI, General Delivery. It is noted that appropriate inquiries made at the post office at Moberly, Missouri, might be productive of information with a possible connection with Volney Davis.

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent in Charge E. M. Conroy dated Little Rock, Arkansas, 1-25-35, in relation to the recent activities of J. Bates, formerly thought to be possibly connected with this case. - Pursuant to Special Agent in Charge Conroy's telephonic request made of this office at 5:30 p.m. 1-18-35, a surveillance of the General Delivery section of the post office at Kansas City, Mo., was maintained by Division Agents from approximately 4 p.m., January 18, 1935, to 2:30 p.m., January 19, 1935, at which time J. Bates appeared at the General Delivery window and was immediately thereafter conducted to the Kansas City Division Office, where he was questioned at length by Special Agent in Charge R. R. Nathan. The surveillance maintained at the post office, Kansas City, Missouri, was predicated upon information received in the above mentioned telephone call from Special Agent in Charge Conroy on January 18th to the effect that an individual giving the name of J. Bates had been calling for mail at the General Delivery window, Hot Springs, Arkansas, for about two weeks and had received a special delivery letter every day for that period from 448 St. Peters Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. On or about 1-13-35, a letter apparently intended for this man was delivered to the home of J. E. Bates, who operates a hotel at Hot Springs. It was opened by this man, who recalled that the letter began "Dear Ed." Most of the letter appeared to be in disguised, people being referred to by initials as "T", "J" and "V." The letter was signed "Joe" and appeared to be written by a woman. Reference was made in the letter to the Bremer Kidnaping, according to the information received, and J. E. Bates and his wife recalled that the letter contained a sentence approximately as follows: "If you were to come in it would not gain anything." The writer of the letter said something about going to the lakes.

About 1-14-35, J. E. Bates received a package containing four St. Paul newspapers dated Thursday, 1-10-35, all of which contained articles concerning the Bremer case, and all of these articles being marked. About 1-14-35 or 1-15-35, J. E. Bates returned the letter, and the newspapers to the Post Office marked "opened by mistake." J. Bates then disappeared.

On 1-15-35, a letter was received at the Hot Springs Post Office dated 1-14-35 and asking that mail be forwarded to 448 St. Peters Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. On 1-17-35, the postmaster received a telegram signed "J. Bates" asking that mail be forwarded to General Delivery, Kansas City, Missouri.

Bates stated upon being interviewed that his true name was Ed J. Bates, 57 years of age and a resident of St. Paul, Minnesota, The Piedmont Apartments, 9th and Smith Streets of that city being his present address. In explanation of his presence in Kansas City and of his calling for mail both at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and in this city, he said that he was on his way back to St. Paul, Minnesota, having purchased a through ticket on the bus from Hot Springs to St. Paul. Someone, according to his own statement, owed him money in Kansas City, which he desired to collect, consequently, he registered at the Snyderhoff Hotel, Room 212, under the name of A. J. Baxter on 1-14-35. The use of a fictitious name was for the purpose of not being detected pending his arrival in St. Paul, where, also according to his own admissions, he was wanted for questioning concerning two bond coupons, amounting to \$25.00 in value, which he had deposited for collection at the Capitol Bank in St. Paul, Minnesota, around December 12 to 13, 1934. Serial numbers on these bonds were M 14682 and M 14683.

Bates claimed that he had been given the same by one George Dickenson at the Budweiser Tavern on Baltimore Avenue in Kansas City sometime during last October in part payment for a debt the latter owed him. Dickenson, according to Bates, was a "pay off" man or "con" man, but he could furnish no further information about Dickenson.

Subsequent to the deposit above mentioned, the bonds were returned marked "stolen bonds" whereupon Bates threw them away. He added that he would not know where to look for them now. Shortly after the above incident occurred, Bates continued, he left St. Paul and went to Little Rock, Arkansas, later back to Kansas City for three or four days around Christmas time and subsequently to Hot Springs, Arkansas, where he remained up until about January 13, 1935. While in Hot Springs, he called for mail at the General Delivery for about two weeks prior to January 13, 1935, during which time, he received a special delivery letter every day from 448 St. Peters Street, St. Paul, Minnesota. It was also during this time, according to Bates' own statement, that he learned that Special Agent Dugan of the St. Paul office had been out to his home there making inquiries about the coupons mentioned above. It will be noted here that in all probability this is the connection with the letter delivered to the home of J. E. Bates, who operates a hotel at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on January 13, 1935, which was subsequently opened by the latter, and which contained a sentence approximately as follows: "If you were to come in it would not gain you anything." The above facts were not disclosed by Bates, but were communicated to this office by Special Agent in Charge Conroy, when he called by telephone at 3:20 P M January 18, 1935.

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Telephonic communication was had with the St. Paul office and it was ascertained that Agent Dugan and other officials had been investigating Regan, inasmuch as the bonds were discovered to be part of the loot obtained during the robbery of the Lincoln National Bank and Trust Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, which occurred on September 17, 1931.

The Chicago office was also advised that J. Bates had been taken into custody and that there was on file at the Post Office, Kansas City, Missouri, a post card request signed "J. Bates" and postmarked Chicago, December 14, 1934, and addressed to the Postmaster at Kansas City, Missouri, asking that all mail delivered to General Delivery, Kansas City, Missouri, be forwarded care of Bloom, 4764 North Virginia Avenue, Chicago. It will be noted here that Regan subsequently on January 21, 1935, when interviewed at the Jackson County Jail, Kansas City, Missouri, by Agent denied having sent the above message, stating that he had not been at Chicago for over ten years.

His fingerprints were taken and have already been forwarded to the Division under date of January 19, 1935, it being first definitely determined by comparison of photographs and in particular physical descriptions that Bates was not identical with any of the Subjects in this case. His fingerprint classification, as subsequently supplied to this office by the St. Paul office is:

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Upon being questioned as to previous arrests, he stated that he had been a pick-pocket practically all of his life and that he had served only one prison sentence, that being at the Wisconsin State Penitentiary at Waupun, Wisconsin, where he was sentenced in 1917, having been convicted at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on a charge of larceny from a person.

It will be noted here, that upon being subsequently interviewed, on January 21, 1935, at the Jackson County Jail, Bates stated that he served three years of the above sentence, at which time, he was pardoned by the then Governor Phillips of Wisconsin, which occurred in the year 1920.

Bates revealed no further information concerning his past record, but the records of the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department, which were examined on January 19, 1935, revealed that Regan, under the name of Ed Neary, with numerous aliases, including his true name Edward Regan, bore the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department number 271 and had a record dating back as far as August 12, 1903. Subsequent arrests listed in the Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department's record reveal no prison sentences, and no offenses whatsoever subsequent to 1917. Bates

later stated in the Jackson County Jail that the above offense for which he served three years in Waupun, Wisconsin, was the last time he had been in trouble, adding that he had not even been picked up for investigation since that time, but had been engaged in the saloon business at St. Paul, Minnesota, the past fifteen years.

Acting upon the information received from the St. Paul office in the telephone conversation mentioned above, Regan was taken to the Jackson County Jail, Kansas City, Missouri, on January 19, 1935, and there booked on a charge of investigation. On the same day, investigation was made at room 212 Snyderhoff Hotel, where Regan, who had registered there under the name of A. J. Baxter, had registered on January 14, 1935. A thorough search of all articles in his room was made, but nothing having any definite bearing in this case was found.

On January 21, 1935, this office telephonically communicated with the Omaha office, where it was learned that the County Prosecutor, Lincoln, Nebraska, was desirous of interviewing Regan and asked that he be held in the Jackson County Jail until further inquiries could be made. On the same day it was learned that the authorities at Grand Island, Nebraska, are now interested in this man, but that no contact had as yet been made by the County Prosecutor from Lincoln, Nebraska. Consequently, Regan remained incarcerated in the Jackson County Jail at Kansas City, Missouri.

It will be further noted here that upon being interviewed at the Jackson County Jail on January 21, 1935, by Special Agent R. P. Shanahan, Regan reiterated remarks he had made at the time he was first questioned in the Kansas City Division office on January 19, 1935, and added, upon being shown pictures of the Subjects in this case, and upon being interrogated concerning possible contacts of the same, that he had no information to offer other than he had seen Harry Sawyer in St. Paul over a year ago.

The physical description of Edward Regan as obtained from personal observation at the Kansas City office on January 19, 1935, is as follows:

Age 37 years
Height 5 ft. 11 1/2 in.
Weight 147 pounds
Hair - black - streaked with gray
Eyes - brown
Build - slender - slightly stooped
Complexion - sallow
Married - wife, Josephine.
Address - Piedmont Apartments, 9th and
Smith Streets, St. Paul, Minnesota.

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On January 29th, this office was advised by Deputy Sheriff John Kelly of Jackson County, Kansas City, Missouri, that Regan had been released from custody on 1-26-35 on the authority of the County Attorney at Grand Island, Nebraska, upon whose prior request Regan was being held pending a proposed investigation of the bond coupons deposited by him in St. Paul, as is indicated above.

Pursuant to information received from the Division by telegram, under date of January 20, 1935, relative to the gun battle between Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell with Atlantic City, New Jersey, policemen, and their subsequent escape, the various police departments in this District and the State Highway Patrol of Missouri and Kansas were supplied with full information, including the physical description and other information concerning both Karpis and Campbell. Likewise, by communication dated December 22, 1935, all hospitals in the Kansas City District were notified to immediately communicate with this office in the event either Campbell or Karpis appeared for treatment, inasmuch as at that time it was thought that Campbell in particular might have been wounded in effecting his escape from Atlantic City.

In connection with investigation being conducted by this office for the purpose of ascertaining all possible information which might assist in effecting the apprehension of Jess Doyle, who has been mentioned previously in the body of this report, it should be noted here that on 1-29-35, Special Agent W. F. Trainor personally interviewed Jimmy LaCapra, who, it will be recalled, afforded such cooperation and information in the recent solution of the Kansas City Massacre case. As will be noted from the memorandum prepared by Special Agent W. F. Trainor regarding his recent investigation in Coffeyville, Kansas, which is set out in this report, it is thought that Jess Doyle might possibly have been an associate of Dago Howard, identical with Howard Lenson, well known bank robber, who frequents Kansas City, Missouri. It is known that the latter was an associate of La Capra during the past year and they both are known to have frequented the home of one Pearl Raymer, 3031 Garfield Street, Kansas City, Missouri, heretofore mentioned in reports in this case, and also in the Dillinger case. Accordingly, it is thought quite possible that through cooperation of La Capra in obtaining all available information at the command of Pearl Raymer that pertinent information relative to the present whereabouts of Jess Doyle may be obtained. In this respect, La Capra expressed his willingness to make any contacts that Special Agent Trainor deemed advisable, in order that if any good can be obtained through an interview with Pearl Raymer, the same could be done at the earliest

opportunity.

Arrangements are, therefore, being made at the present time by the Kansas City Division office to effect a speedy meeting between Lee Capra and Pearl Raymer in the hope that data on the present whereabouts of Doyle may be forthcoming.

At the present time, the entire file in this case is being reviewed by Special Agent W. F. Trainor of the Kansas City Division office. Accordingly, within a very short time, a recapitulation will be effected, so that all possible leads in this District will be expediently covered, and contacts, either personally, or by more discreet methods, will be made with all known associates, or contacts, of any of the Subjects in this case, whose apprehension has not yet been effected.

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The offices who are receiving copies of this report are respectfully requested to examine same for leads requiring attention in their District.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

1:05 P.M.

January 16, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

I called Mr. Ladd and advised that Fred and Kate Barker had been killed and none of our men hurt. I advised Connelley has a lead on some other subjects of the Bremer Case in Miami, and that Brown and others were en route there now. Mr. Ladd stated the papers carried headlines about the fight and asked for permission to advise the Agents' wives that they were not hurt. I advised this would be all right.

I advised that the Veterans Administration reports they have no record of any payment to Harold Allerton. Mr. Ladd stated this was the spelling of the name as first given to them, but he had since been advised that it was incorrect; that the correct spelling was "Alderton", the first name being Harold. I stated nothing could be found on Bitty Bishop. He stated the last they could find on Bishop was that he was in Tomahawk, Wisconsin, visiting relatives, in July. He (Ladd) called Mr. Coulter in St. Paul and asked him to have an agent check this discreetly and interview him there. He advised the Agents had left for Marion, Indiana about 11 o'clock; that it is over 100 miles away.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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February 8, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with
aliases, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL
with aliases, I. O. #1256; VOLNEY
DAVIS with aliases, I. O. #1237; ET AL;
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

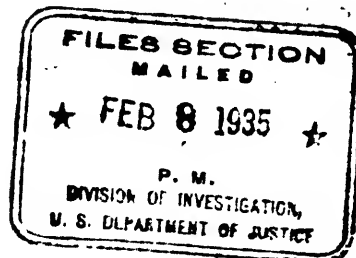
The Division is in receipt of a copy of a letter from the
El Paso Office addressed to you under date of February 1, 1935, in
the above entitled case, wherein it is noted that John Borcia was
identified as being present in El Paso, Texas. It is not clear from
the letter of reference how the identification of Borcia was
effected, it appearing in previous reports submitted in this case that
this individual is a native of Chicago and is said to confine his
activities to that city.

Steps should be immediately taken to ascertain the present
whereabouts of Borcia in the event it is found that he is associating
with other members of the Barker-Karpis gang. He has been closely
associated in the past with the late Russell Gibson.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - St. Paul
El Paso



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El Paso, Texas,
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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Fugitive,
I.O., 1212, et al - Geo. Edw. Bremer -
Victim. Kidnaping.

Reference is had to my telegram to you dated January 31, 1935
relative to the presence of John Borela in El Paso. Reference is likewise
made to report of E. J. Connelley, Chicago, January 11, 1935.

On January 30, W. D. Roberts, State Highway Patrolman, reported
to me that on Saturday afternoon, January 28, about 3:50 P.M., three in-
dividuals had appeared at the Lone Star Motor Co. in El Paso driving a
1934 Oldsmobile sedan which had the bearings burned out and that they
insisted on an immediate repair job; that the car was taken upstairs into
the shops where mechanics proceeded to work on it and that these three
individuals would not leave the car or its immediate vicinity for a moment
but stayed there from 3:50 in the afternoon until the job was finished at
10:30 that night; that they would not let the mechanics get out of their
sight and on one occasion when the mechanic had to go down to the store
room for parts one of these men accompanied him and stood by the window
watching him while he secured the necessary parts; that also when the
mechanic went to supper at a nearby restaurant the three men followed him
and stayed in the restaurant while he ate; that they were very rough talk-
ing and the leader threatened the mechanic that if his repair bill was too
high he might not ever get downstairs again.

Mr. Roberts reported that immediately the job was completed they
departed eastward and that when passing through Fabens, Texas, about 80
miles east of El Paso, about midnight Saturday, January 28, they were
observed by Motor Patrolman O. B. Pierce who tried to overtake them for
the purpose of looking them over, but they looked back, saw him coming
and ran off and left him. Pierce at this time knew nothing of the episode
at the Lone Star Motor Co. and therefore did not make a report of the matter.

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Mr. L. L. Rutledge, Service Manager of the Lone Star Motor Co., was interviewed and it was ascertained that the person in charge of this car exhibited registration papers thereon which showed that the car was a 1934 Oldsmobile Eight Sedan, carrying Illinois 1934 license 808,098 (this was previously erroneously reported to you by telegraph as being 808 898). The work sheet shows the motor number of this car to have been 8147 and the mileage at that time read 9,777. Mr. Rutledge states that this was a practically new 1934 car but had recently been repainted in a very crude manner, apparently by hand. The color is now black with a rather broad red stripe around it. This was also verified by Mr. George Hofmeister, the mechanic who worked on the car, who described John Boreia as being:

Age - 39	Wearing black suit and no hat;
Ht. - 5' 9"	Spoke broken English and is evidently an Italian.
Wt. - 180	
Hair - Black	
Comp. - dark	

Hofmeister described man #2 as an American, about 5' 6 1/2"; Ht. - 180;
Age - 32 or 34, blond hair and thin face; stated he was a piano tuner.

Hofmeister did not pay much attention to man #3 and would not attempt to give a description of him, except that he was also apparently an American, about the same age as man #2. Hofmeister advised there was no baggage in the car except two packages about 15 inches long, wrapped in newspaper on the rear seat and that there was another package wrapped loosely in newspaper lying on the floor of the car and that this package appeared as though it was about the proper length for a submachine gun. The suspicions of Hofmeister were very much aroused by the way these persons acted and particularly by the fact that they would not let him get to a telephone or otherwise out of their sight. He stated that Boreia told him the reason they were in such a hurry was that he positively had to be in Chicago by Tuesday night, January 29.

I exhibited pictures of the following persons to both Hofmeister and Rutledge but they could not recognize any of them as having been the parties in the car:

Alvin Karpis; John Hamilton, I.O. 1220; Jack Perkins; Harry Campbell; Volney Davis; Ted Bantz; Raymond Hamilton; Joseph P. Moran; Francis Fabiane, I.O. 975-A; Percy Leary, I. O. 1218; Francis Leooley, I.O. 1228 and Charles Harold Melcey. Mr. Rutledge was of the opinion that the picture of Volney Davis somewhat resembled one of the men.

Last evening, upon receipt of your report above referred to, I observed the mention of John Boreia therein on page 8. Previous to that

time I had no extraordinary interest in the episode at the Lone Star Motor Co., but was checking up on it as a routine matter. However, upon the receipt of your report I immediately proceeded to the Lone Star Motor Co. and made further investigation, as related hereinbefore and I report the matter now merely as of possible interest to the Brekid investigation.

Very truly yours,

R. H. Colvin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc Division
cc St. Paul.

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Teledo, Ohio
January 30, 1935

Memorandum to E. J. Black

Re: Brekid

There was received from the San Francisco Division Office under date of January 26, 1935, a wire to the effect that Charles J. Fitzgerald, under the name of G. J. Murphy, was a patient in the Vallejo General Hospital, San Francisco, California during November of 1934; that at that time he was driving an automobile bearing 1934 Illinois license tags 522-451.

At the Motor Vehicle Bureau, Chicago Police Department it was ascertained that license 522-451 was issued to G. J. Murphy, 7150 Cyril Parkway, Chicago, Illinois, an Buick, Motor No. 2375177, Serial No. 2716651.

It was learned that 7150 Cyril Parkway is the address of the Klamor Manor Apartments. I interviewed the manager, Mrs. Balien on January 28, 1935 and she advised that a G. J. Murphy and his wife visited on the premises from August 27, 1933 to April 1, 1934. She positively identified the photograph of G. J. Fitzgerald as G. J. Murphy, and furnished the description of his wife as follows:

Age 45-50
Height 5' 4"
Weight 130 lbs.
Hair Brown
Build Medium
Glasses Rimless

Mrs. Balien further stated that Mrs. Murphy rented the apartment, which was furnished. She refused to sign any application, stating that they had plenty of money, and would pay their rent promptly. She also did not furnish any references, giving the reason that they were unknown in Chicago. Mrs. Balien stated that when Mr. and Mrs. Murphy moved in Mrs. Murphy was ailing with rheumatism; that because of this he had to walk on crutches most of the time. Shortly before they moved out in April, 1934, Mr. Murphy walked about with the aid of a cane. Mrs. Balien further stated that the Murphy's had no telephone installed in their apartment, and that all their calls were made through the pay phone in the lobby. They had very few visitors, and received very little mail. Mrs. Balien was unable to identify any of the other members of the Barker-Karpis mob.

I also talked with the maid, and the housekeeper, both of whom came in frequent contact with the Murphys while they resided at this apartment. The housekeeper advised that on one occasion Mrs. 335

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Murphy told her that her husband had a severe case of rheumatism, and that he had spent a considerable time in the Mayo Brothers Clinic at Rochester, Minnesota. The housekeeper further stated that during the period in question, Mrs. Murphy drove her husband to a farm nearby on numerous occasions, and at times he would remain on this farm for two or three weeks. In this connection Mrs. Murphy stated that a friend of theirs owned this farm and that the rest and the air was very beneficial to her husband. The housekeeper further stated Mrs. Murphy often visited her sister-in-law, who is of Polish descent, and who lived nearby. She could furnish no other information in this respect.

The maid advised that Mrs. Murphy had at one time told her of the location of the farm above mentioned; that to her recollection it is either in Benton Harbor or Kalamazoo, Michigan. She stated that the farm must not be very far from Chicago, as Mrs. Murphy visited it almost every week-end; that she usually left on a Friday and returned Monday. The maid advised that the Murphys appeared very wealthy, and that Mrs. Murphy was well dressed at all times; that they were good "tippers" and were very kind to her. She further stated that at no time did Mrs. Murphy indicate her husband's business to her and that Mr. Murphy spent considerable time in the apartment, possibly on account of his rheumatism. When they moved from the premises, they did not mention where they were going, but according to the maid, Mrs. Murphy indicated that should they return to Chicago, they will again reside at the Elanor Manor Apartments, as they were very satisfied with everything. In this connection, I left the phone number of the Chicago Division Office with Mrs. Galien, the manager, with the request that she call should the Murphys return, which she promised to do.

Inasmuch as information recently received indicates that Charles J. Fitzgerald is in Toledo, Ohio at the present time, it is suggested that you write to the Secretary of State at Columbus, Ohio, providing them with the motor and serial number of Fitzgerald's Buick car, with the request that they notify the Detroit Office by wire if same is registered in this state. It is very probable that he will continue to use the alias of C. J. Murphy.

When you receive the above information please telephone same to S. A. C. Larson at Toledo, Ohio. Also refer to letter from the Kansas City Office to the St. Paul Office dated February 12, 1934, a copy of which was furnished your office. In this letter there is set out a list of correspondents of C. J. Fitzgerald while he was in the Kansas State Penitentiary, many of whom resided in Toledo at that time. Please transmit the Toledo addresses to S. A. C. Larson immediately.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. Madala

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cc: Division
Chicago

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P. O. Box 1876
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
February 1, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. #1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O. #1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON with aliases, I. O. #1213;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases
I. O. #1212; ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER
Victim - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

The following quoted letter has been received by Agent Paul Hansen from Harry A. Neal, box 78, Coffeyville, Kansas, who is a former deputy sheriff and is well known to Agents of the Kansas City Office:

"A friend of mine was down to the nut house tonight and two telephone calls came in while he was there asking if any word had come from Minneapolis. Whoever called wanted to talk to Hazel Doyle or (Pugs) the Pop. Neither was there and a loud talking fellow who answered said each time 'No, we haven't heard anything from Minneapolis yet.' It would appear that someone was trying to make connections here. I am giving you this for what its worth but if it was possible for you to tap this phone here there is no question but what you could get some action in a hurry."

As it is known that Hazel Doyle is acquainted in Minneapolis, and as there is no indication as to what information Hazel Doyle or her associates were looking for and no indication as to whom they were expecting this information from, it is not felt by this office that a wire tap is necessary at this time.

South Coffeyville, Oklahoma, is served from the Coffeyville, Kansas office of the telephone company, and this information is being forwarded to the Kansas City Office for its information. It is suggested that, if the Kansas City Office feels so disposed, an arrangement might be made with the telephone company at Coffeyville similar to that which was contemplated by Agent Trainor concerning long distance calls, both out-

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going and incoming, from the telephone of Mrs. Katherine Barnes, of Coffeyville; might also be notified concerning the long distance telephone calls going out from and coming in to the Nut House in South Coffeyville, Oklahoma.

Very truly yours,

SWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Division ✓
St. Paul
Chicago (Connelley)

P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

February 8, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O.Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O.#1219;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O.#1232;
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING. St. Paul File No. 7-20

For your information, there is attached hereto a copy of a letter from ROBERT C. LANE, attorney at law, 708 Huntington Building, Miami, Florida, dated January 1, 1935, addressed to the Clerk of Court, at St. Paul, Minnesota, requesting a certified copy of the bench warrant and a certified copy of the indictment returned against all the parties connected with the kidnaping. He also asks for a certificate under the seal of the Clerk of the Court as to whether there is a case against George Summers, T.C. Blackburn, and a Mrs. Ryan.

For your information, the Clerk of the Court conferred with United States Attorney George F. Sullivan and he concluded that it would be a better policy to immediately transmit a certified copy of the old indictment and a certified copy of the bench warrant for the arrest of KARPIS, pointing out that it would be detrimental to the case if there were any hesitancy on the part of the Government officials to disclose facts about the indictment and bench warrant.

Inasmuch as the courtesy was extended to this office in receiving copy of the letter addressed to the Clerk of Court, it is suggested that this matter be handled in such a way that the Clerk will not be embarrassed. It may be desirable to take this matter up with the United States Attorney at Miami, in order that he will know what to expect from Mr. Lane, in view of the fact that he will have a certified copy of the indictment and warrant.

Very truly yours,

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D.M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

(COPY)

ROBERT C. LANE, Attorney at Law,
708 Huntington Bldg.,
Miami, Florida.

January 31, 1935.

AIR MAIL

Clerk of the United States District Court,
Federal Building,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

I represent a client here in Miami, Florida, who has been accused of complicity with the Edward Bremer kidnapping case, and it is very important that we have certain information with reference to the bench warrants issued and the indictments returned against various parties in connection with this case by the Federal Grand Jury and the United States District Judge, in St. Paul, Minn.

I am therefore writing to request that you have prepared for me a certified copy of the bench warrant issued for Alvin Karpavics, alias Alvin Karpis, and others, and a party whose last name is Barker, together with a certified copy of the indictment returned against all parties connected with the Edward Bremer kidnapping case and forward same to me by air mail.

I would also like to have you investigate your criminal record books and ascertain if warrants or indictments have ever been returned in connection with the Edward Bremer case against George Summers, T. C. Blackburn, and Mrs. Ryan, whose initials I do not have; and if your records fail to show that these last named parties are involved in the Edward Bremer kidnapping case, I would like to have you make a certificate, under your Seal of office, that such indictments or warrants are not pending against these parties.

I realize that you are entitled to fees for these documents, and your certificate, and if you will wire me collect the amount of your fees, I will immediately wire same to you before you mail these documents to me. However, we have very little time within which to prepare for a preliminary hearing on this matter, and if you will give my request preferred attention it will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Robert C. Lane.

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BREKID PLEASE REFER REPORT AGENT BRENNAN ST PAUL JANUARY 28 PAGE 6
SHOWING LONG DISTANCE CALL ON DECEMBER 6, 1934 FROM "WILLIE" CALLING
FROM CHICAGO PHONE LONGBEACH 1310 TO DAVE WEINSTEIN ST PAUL THE
LATTER A KNOWN CONTACT FOR HARRY SAWYER. LONGBEACH 1310 IS WILRAE
HOTEL, 4546 N RACINE AVENUE LOCATED IN VICINITY FORMERLY FREQUENTED
BY RUSSELL GIBSON. UNABLE TO MAKE OPEN INQUIRY AT HOTEL. WILLIE
BELIEVED IDENTICAL WITH WILLIAM HARRISON. REQUEST ~~AGENCY~~ AUTHORITY
TO RENT ROOM THERE FOR SURVEILLANCE

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT: NEW ORLEANS, LA.	DATE WHEN MADE: 2/2/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/30/35	REPORT MADE BY: A. A. KINDEL
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TITLE **ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219;
RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. 1213;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232;
et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.**

CHARACTER OF CASE: **KIDNAPING**

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Ford Coach, motor #1130843, Ford Coupe, motor #1142463, Pontiac Coach, motor #335155, Chevrolet Sedan, motor #4543656, Ford Sedan, motor #899365, not registered in Mississippi in 1934. Records for 1935 not made up. Stop cards placed.

REFERENCE:

Letter from Chicago Office 12/26/34; letter from Detroit Office 11/19/34.

DETAILS:

AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

At the Auto Division of the State Auditor's Office, stop cards were placed against the following autos:

Ford Coach, motor #1130843
Ford Coupe, motor #1142463
Pontiac Coach, motor #335155
Chevrolet Sedan, motor #4543656
Ford Sedan, motor #899365

DETAILS:

None of these autos were registered in Mississippi in 1934 and the records for 1935 have not been sufficiently completed to make an examination. In Mississippi, auto registrations are indexed by motor and license numbers.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

NEW ORLEANS OFFICE, at Baton Rouge, La., conduct similar investigation.

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DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:

D. W. Magee

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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1-Detroit
2-New Orleans

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

February 1, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. #1232,
et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING
Chicago File No. 7-82

Reference is made to your letter dated January 11, 1935,
wherein you request to be advised if the mother of ALVIN KARPIS
was away from home at that time.

In this connection your attention is directed to the report
of Special Agent E. A. Melatire, Chicago, Illinois, dated 1/31/35,
copy of which was furnished your office.

You will note that Mrs. Karpavicz, the mother of Alvin Karpis,
was at home at the time Agent Melatire made this investigation.

It had been previously ascertained from an interview had
with Mr. Edward L. Lewis who occupies the apartment immediately
above Mr. and Mrs. Karpavicz and who was interviewed by Special
Agent W. C. Ryan on January 24, 1935, that three or four days prior
to this date Mrs. Karpavicz had been away from home for a period of
three or four days and Mr. Lewis also advised that Mrs. Karpavicz
had been away from home during the past Christmas holidays and that
he thought that she had been in Topeka, Kansas, visiting relatives.
It would appear, therefore, that at the time Mrs. Karpavicz was away
from home during January of this year she might have been visiting
her daughter in Topeka, Kansas.

Very truly yours,

WCR:RP
cc Division
cc St. Paul



E. J. Connelley
Special Agent in Charge
SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

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ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATION
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Henry + Mary
Feb 1st 1935

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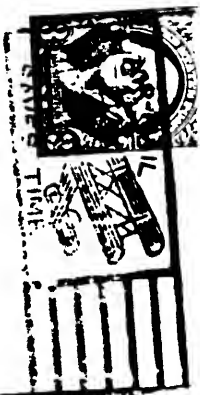
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a married man by the
name of and is known
to be a friend of Adams who
works at the Dog Trap
operated by Adams
since then they are
getting rid of some of
the old ones in Miami
the trouble now

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Mr. E. J. McNeill
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.



JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 31, 1935.

Time-7:00P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re. Bremer Case.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

While talking to Mr. Hanson tonight, I advised him that Agent Brown called from Havana this evening, stating that he had talked to Heller this afternoon; that Heller's attitude was supercilious; that Heller stated that he had been harboring Karpis; that he bought Karpis a car, found him a house, and was going to keep right on doing it. I stated that I had advised Agent Brown to get the Cuban Police to pick him up for deportation and put him in a jail of some kind. Mr. Hanson stated that Heller was seen in Miami in company with Delores Delaney; that according to the U. S. Attorney, he could be included in the conspiracy charge. I advised Mr. Hanson to wait a few days until after we have talked to him; that we could have two agents there when he is deported, and the minute he sets his foot in the United States, we could take him. Mr. Hanson stated that he would look into this matter at once.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 28, 1935, transmitting a deck of playing cards found in the house occupied by Fred and Kate Barker at Lake Weir, Oklawaha, Florida, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. 1218, et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping. your file 7-82.

You are advised that the playing cards have been examined for latent fingerprints, but no such impressions of value appear thereon.

The deck of playing cards is being returned to you herewith.

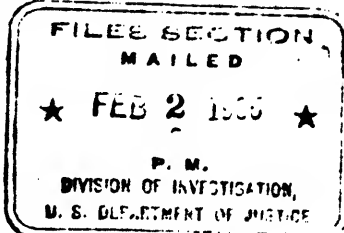
Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

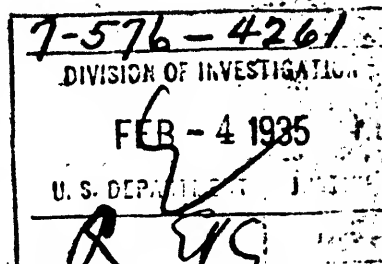
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January 24, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

3:30 P.M.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Connelley called in connection with the Bremer case. He stated that the car might have been placed out there in a deliberate effort to draw the attention there while Karpis and Campbell went some place else. He advised that the State Police took some fingerprints from the car and could not make any identification. Larson took several photographs and lifted a couple of prints, which are being sent in, and there may be a possibility of identifying some of these. Larson has made

a connection on the three telephones in the Harvard Club, in Cleveland, Ohio, where Evabrandt and Patton are located. These are the two to whom Fred Barker sent flowers on Thanksgiving day from Ocala, Florida, and on their two private telephones. He stated Mr. Larson

the telephones of an individual who is acquainted with this outfit and made a contact with Fitzgerald and Helen Ferguson; the Flora Pharmacy, which is right under the place where the Hohlst woman formerly lived with Mildred, the Hohlst woman being still there; the house of Ted and his brother, Angus, and a book shop. Connelley stated Larson will probably wire in tonight for authority to place these taps.

Connelley stated that Woltz, Winstead and White are still down at Jacksonville and that he thinks it all right for them to return to Chicago. I advised of the information received from Hanson today concerning a plane landing at Everglades with three heavily armed men and that Hanson and four men were going to check on this, but stated that as soon as this was completed, if Connelley had no purpose in keeping the above Agents at Jacksonville, they would be returned to Chicago. Connelley stated he thought that he should return to Chicago tonight, and I told him to go down there when he thought it advisable, wiring when he got ready to go.

Respectfully, &
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E. A. Tamm.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 31, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 5:02 PM

Re Bremer case.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Agent R.D. Brown telephoned from Havana and stated that they had interviewed one Heller, manager of the Park View Hotel in Havana, who is the man whom Karpis contacted while there and who was instrumental in furnishing Karpis with information as to where he might rent a home and purchase a car. Agent Brown stated that this individual became very nasty in the interview with the agents; that he, Agent Brown, has conferred with the officials in Havana and they are willing to deport Heller to Jacksonville, stating that they have waived all constitutional guarantees in that country. Agent Brown stated that they only require the formality of having a statement given to them by the American Ambassador as to who Heller is and his connection with Karpis, and who the latter is.

I advised Agent Brown to take Heller into custody in Havana and give him a very vigorous interview; that if it is necessary he can then be taken into Jacksonville as soon as a process can be obtained against him.

Agent Brown further stated that they had found \$1200 of the Bremer ransom money in the Federal Reserve Bank in Havana, it having been deposited there by one of the lesser banks in Havana, the identity of which is not known.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 22, 1935, transmitting three photographic negatives, thirty-eight photographs and twenty lifts of latent fingerprints taken from various articles in the apartments at 2020 Pine Grove Avenue and 432 Surf Street, Chicago, Illinois, in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. 1218, et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping, your file 7-82.

Five latent impressions of value appear on the six lifts secured at 432 Surf Street, Chicago, and at this writing they have not been identified.

With reference to the latent prints developed on articles found in the apartment at 2020 Pine Grove Avenue, Chicago, the following identifications have been effected:

1 latent impression lifted from the electric toaster identified with right index fingerprint of Mildred Langquest, our #873412.

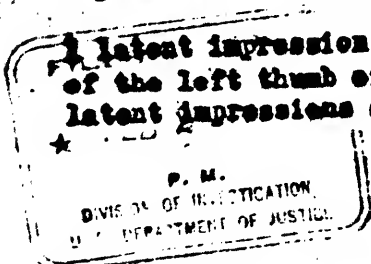
2 latent impressions lifted from the electric toaster determined to be of the right index and right middle fingers of Patricia Langquest, our #873412.

1 latent fingerprint appearing on photograph of bottle marked 15 identified as that of the left middle finger of Patricia Langquest.

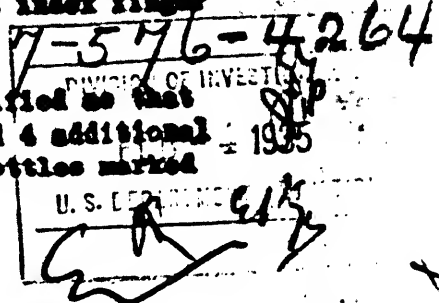
1 latent print lifted from bottle #19 is that of the right thumb of Ruth Heidt, our #873419.

1 latent finger impression appearing on photograph of .38 calibre cartridge clip is identical with the left index finger impression of Russell Gibson, deceased.

1 latent impression lifted from bottle #16 identified as that of the left thumb of Doc Barker, our #889428, and 4 additional latent impressions appearing on photograph 2 of bottles marked



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February 2, 1933.

Mr. Connelley,
Chicago.

20, 40 and 10 have been determined to be those of Doc Barker.

Comparisons with the remaining unidentified latent fingerprints
are now being made and you will be subsequently advised as to the results
thereof.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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January 16, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:40 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

Mr. Ladd called in connection with the Bremer case to advise that Elmer Farmer had furnished additional information to the effect that during this period he took groceries in on numerous occasions for the gang and that he thinks someone was held in the back room, although he did not know who until later, but he had a hunch it was Bremer; that the door to this particular room was always closed and the men there, Karpis, Barker, Volney Davis, Slim Gray, and others would sit around and talk in whispers, and they would not let him go near the room at all. He identifies the photographs of these individuals as the men who were there at the time. He advised that these individuals rented a garage a half block up the alley from a man named Bishop, and Ladd advised that they have found that Bishop is a paralytic and was in a Veterans Bureau Hospital, from which he has been moved, but Ladd advised an Agent is trying to locate him in order that he may identify these individuals. Mr. Ladd stated that Elmer Farmer had introduced Metz to Allerton and, although he knew that he wanted a house that some of the gang could use, they have not been able to get him to admit that it was to hold some particular man in, but Ladd stated that he is talking very much and he believes they will get everything he knows before he is finished.

I asked Mr. Ladd who had gone up to Bensenville this morning. He stated that he, Zimmer, Johnson, Suran, McIntyre, Abbaticchio, Barber, Hirsch, Mullen, Williams, Chaffetz, Peterson and two others had gone. I advised him that you thought he had done a very good job, and he stated he did not believe there would be any publicity. I asked Mr. Ladd to start making preparations in order that we can get indictments returned at St. Paul.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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January 16, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

10:50 A.M.

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

I called Mr. Ladd in connection with the Bremer case and advised that we had just received an Associated Press dispatch coming out of Florida to the effect that fifteen Federal Agents have been engaged in a pitched gun battle at Ocala, Florida since 7 o'clock this morning; that the battle is still going on; that they are firing into a house and the fire is being returned from the house. I advised that I wanted him to know the above because we wanted to push the search for the fellow down at Marion before it gets in the paper. He advised that he was going to put in a call for Detroit immediately and see that this is rushed. I requested that he do this right away and call me back.

In connection with the individual named "Bitty" Bishop who is supposed to have rented a garage to members of the Barker-Karpis gang, Mr. Ladd advised that it might be of assistance if the Washington Field Office could check on him at the Veterans Administration; that he used to be a barber at Bensenville and is now a paralytic; that he was receiving treatment at the Edward Hines Veterans Bureau Hospital there, but has been removed from the hospital, and they are trying to locate him.

Mr. Ladd called me back at 11:05 A.M. and advised that he had just talked with Agent Ryan at Detroit, who advised he would leave within fifteen or twenty minutes for Marion and would call Ladd from there, and is taking several Agents with him. Mr. Ladd advised that all of the furniture, dishes, et cetera were moved out of there that Allerton had; that Bremer had described in some detail the dishes he was served with, and the furniture, and Mr. Ladd stated that he wanted the Agents to call him from Marion and if he has his furniture and dishes there he believes it would be advisable to leave two men there to make a record of these objects.

Respectfully,
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Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I talked to Mr. Harvey this afternoon regarding the failure of the Pennsylvania State Police to notify us that the Pontiac used by Campbell and Karpis had been found. Mr. Harvey stated that he called Mr. Adams and Mr. Adams advised him that they did not receive the information until 3 PM; that they sent out a message at 4:10 PM to the Philadelphia Police asking them to notify Atlantic City, the Department of Justice in Philadelphia, and the Hammononton, New Jersey Barracks of the State Police. Mr. Harvey advised Mr. Adams that we had not received any message. Mr. Adams stated that the Philadelphia Police had advised him that they were unable to locate anyone at the Philadelphia Office. Mr. Adams read a message to Mr. Harvey addressed to the Philadelphia Police advising them to notify the Philadelphia Department of Justice that the car was abandoned at this town. Mr. Harvey stated that the Philadelphia Police did not notify us. I advised Mr. Harvey to obtain a copy of this message.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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Room 414
Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Pa.

February 4, 1935.

Hon. Harlan Besson,
U. S. Attorney,
Trenton, N. J.

Attn: Mr. Thomas V. Arrowsmith,
Asst. U. S. Attorney

Dear Sir:-

Please refer to our recent conversation concerning the obtaining of a Search Warrant, in order to take possession of a 1934 Buick two door sedan, Motor #4942155, from the Atlantic City Police Department, which was abandoned by Alvin Karpis in Atlantic City.

Special Agent Sharp of this office, proceeded to Atlantic City on February 1st, and discussed the matter with Solicitor Siracusa of Atlantic City who informed the Chief of Police that the car should be turned over to the Agents of this Division. Therefore, it was unnecessary to serve the search warrant and same is attached hereto, together with the affidavit of search warrant.

Your cooperation in this matter is indeed appreciated.

Very truly yours,

J. G. HARVEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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UNITED STATES DEPT OF JUSTICE PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT

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BREKID LEAVING SIX FIFTEEN PM TOGETHER WITH GENT J L MADALA

FOR PHILADELPHIA SPACE LOWER ONE CAR A THIRTEEN EIGHT

ATLANTIC COAST RAILROAD ARRIVING ONE FIFTEEN MONDAY STOP

AGENTS MELVIN SULLIVAN MCDADE MCLAUGHLIN MUZZEY LEAVING

TONIGHT NINE THIRTY FOR CHICAGO WITH SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AND

THEY WILL BE ABLE DUE FAMILIARITY TO CHECK CERTAIN MATTERS

THERE AGENTS WHITE WINSTEAD AND WOLTZ REMAINING JACKSONVILLE

TEMPORARILY TO SHIP EQUIPMENT AND FOR OTHER EMERGENCY AGENTS

BROWN CAMPBELL AND MCKEE AT HAVANA CUBA TODAY SAC HANSON AND

AGENTS NICHOLS STONE DUNNE GOING METCALFE JONES AT MIAMI

WORKING ON LEADS AND PRIOR CONTACTS GANG THERE SAC STAPLETON

AND AGENTS WHITTEN DONAGHUE PROCEEDING CHARLOTTE TOMORROW

MORNING STOP ALL PLANES GROUNDED DUE WEATHER REPORTS =

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 31, 1935

Time - 2:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

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Mr. Hanson telephoned from Miami and stated in regard to the McDonald angle of the above case that they have definitely ascertained that McDonald has been associating with Harry Sawyer and Willie Harrison; that in this connection the United States Attorney is willing to prosecute him on a harboring charge; that they have ascertained that as late as December of last year, McDonald came to the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami and asked where he could get in touch with Karpis and Barker; that Joe Adams agreed to give McDonald their addresses; that they have a copy of a telegram which McDonald sent to Fred Barker at Ocala. On the day after Adams gave McDonald the address of Karpis, McDonald told Adams that he had seen Karpis. Mr. Hanson stated that this is not very much evidence, but the United States Attorney is very willing to go into the thing, and he is of the opinion that we should do it. He stated that he had talked to Mr. Black in the Detroit Office who stated that he, Mr. Black, is of the opinion that both Mr. Larson and Mr. Connelley would be in favor of it. Mr. Hanson stated that the grand jury sits there next week, and I suggested that we get a secret indictment against McDonald at that time.

Mr. Hanson stated that it has been ascertained that in September McDonald made two trips to Cuba; that it is his opinion that these trips were made for the purpose of exchanging ransom money for other money. He stated that Agent Browne is in possession of this information and is trying to verify it. I told Mr. Hanson that we were forwarding a letter to the Jacksonville Office which states that we have information from a Post Office Inspector to the effect that this is what McDonald was doing in Cuba on the occasions in question; that he changed \$100,000 in Havana; that they changed the ransom money for gold, and then purchased other money with the gold.

Mr. Hanson stated that Mr. Connelley informed him the other day that Wynona Burdette and Dolores Delaney had stated that members of the Karpis-Barker gang were driving a black Packard Sedan while in Florida; that it has been ascertained that McDonald has a black Packard Sedan, and Mr. Hanson wanted to know if these girls could be interviewed for any further information along this line. I told him we would have that done.

Mr. Hanson stated that a few weeks ago, Harry Sawyer was identified as being in one of the garages there in a Packard Sedan bearing New Jersey license plates; that he had suggested to Mr. Harvey that he check in New Jersey to see if Sawyer did have such a car.

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Mr. Hanson further stated that in the event Harry Sawyer and Willie Harrison are in Cuba, the immigration authorities ought to be notified so that in the event they come back, they might be apprehended. I told him that he could notify New York as well as Jacksonville to take the proper steps in this regard; that we will have Identification Orders out on these men in a short while, but in the meantime, the immigration authorities should be notified.

Mr. Hanson stated that he has been trying to get a line on the men in question through confidential informants, but it seems that they are not getting very far; that he wanted my opinion of the idea of going straight to certain prominent underworld characters and informing them who is wanted; that if it is found that these characters have been harboring the persons in question, they will then be prosecuted on harboring charges. I told him that this would be all right.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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POST OFFICE BOX 829,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

February 4, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Charlotte, North Carolina.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.
1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING

For your information in connection with the photo-
graphic films taken of latent fingerprints in connection
with the objects processed in the house occupied by Fred
and Kate Barker at Oklawaha, Florida, which films after
exposure were placed in blue Postal Telegraph envelopes by
Special Agent Donaghy, these, upon arrival at Chicago, were
found to be useless inasmuch as the light had filtered through
these envelopes, destroying the possibility of reproducing
any prints from such films. It is not believed that this
method of handling films is very successful, particularly
in view of the fact that blue paper especially will conduct
light.

The above is for your information in case future
films are considered being handled in this manner.

Very truly yours,

R. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.
(Special Assignment)

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February 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 2118,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of January 25, 1935,
transmitting four lifts of latent fingerprints and one cut film
holder in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with
aliases, I.O. 1218; Dr. Joseph P. Moran with aliases, I.O. 1232;
et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

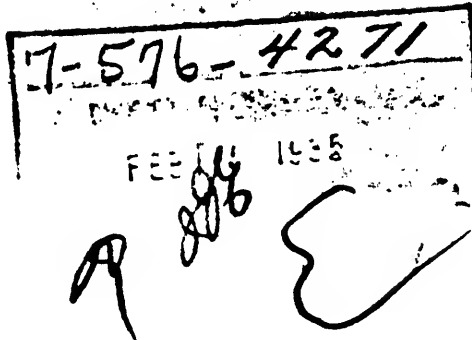
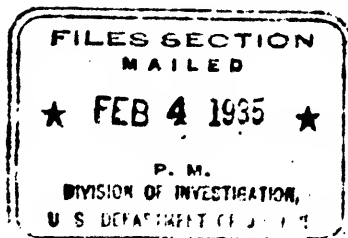
The four lifts do not present any latent fingerprints
of value. Upon opening the Graflex Film Pack holder it was
found that it contained no films.

The four lifts together with the film pack holder
which has been loaded are being returned to your office under
separate cover.

Very truly yours,

AK
John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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AIR MAIL

cc - Mr. Connelley, Chicago
St. Paul

February 4, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Division of Investigation,
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P. O. Box 829,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

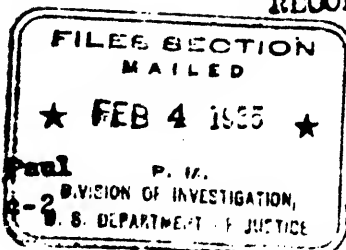
Reference is made to the latent fingerprint examinations being conducted in connection with the case entitled Alvin Karpis with aliases, I.O. 1218, et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

The latent finger impressions previously developed in connection with this case have been compared with the fingerprints of Fred Barker, deceased, without effecting an identification. It will be noted that the comparison of the fingerprints of this individual with the latent prints in this case has previously been reported, but this additional check has been made in view of the fact that his fingers were badly scarred and the fingerprints somewhat obliterated at the time of his death.

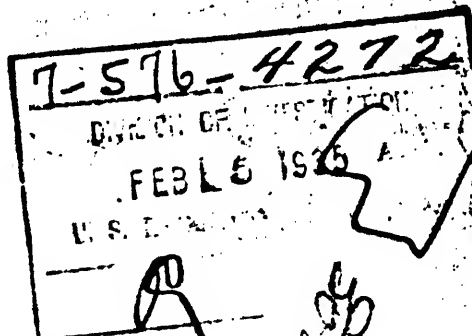
Very truly yours,

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Kennedy of the Miami Daily News telephoned and inquired as to the status of the Miami investigation, and he said he was wondering if we expected to include any others besides Joe Adams and Duke Randall in the indictment.

I stated that we had no one else in custody there at the present time; that, however, the Grand Jury would not indict them until next week.

Very truly yours,

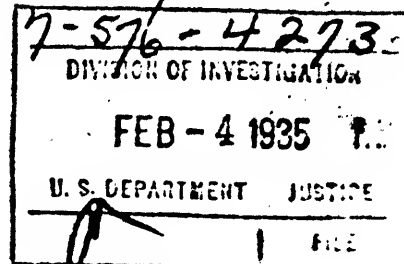
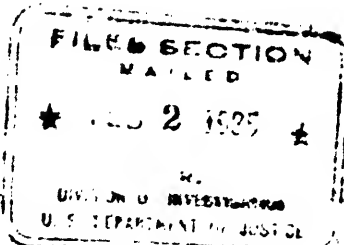
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US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PENNSYLVANIA AVE AT

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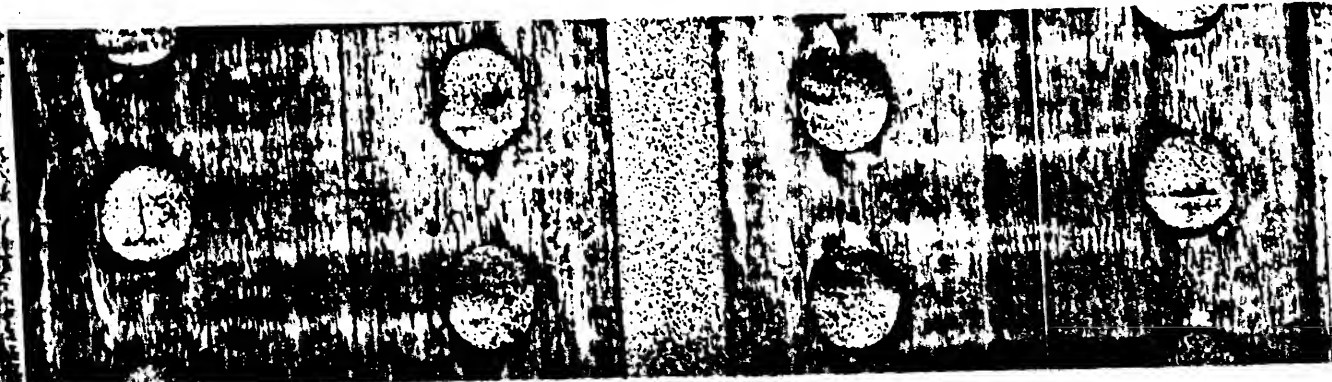
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 25, 1935

Time - 3:25 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

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I called Mr. Harvey and asked what had been done with Wynona Burdette and Dolores Delaney. He advised that they were turned over to the Marshal yesterday, and that fugitive complaints have been filed for taking them back to Florida, bonds having been set at \$50,000 returnable April 4, 1935.

(Do not let the Chief get away with this car. Atlantic City police have been notoriously rotten for years. JEH)

I advised that the United States Attorney at Chicago had taken the necessary steps to have the cars in connection with this case confiscated. Harvey stated that he had wired Chicago and secured a copy of the petition filed in the Verne Miller case with the Buick, and he is drawing up papers in order that the car may be turned over to the Philadelphia Office. Harvey stated in this connection that the Chief of Police had advised him he could have it, but when he sent the Agents over to get it he said that it was a stolen car; that he, Harvey, had called the Solicitor of Atlantic City, who would have charge of the legal angle of it, who advised that if he, Harvey, would write a letter to the Chief of Police he did not think he would have any trouble in that if the order was prepared all he would have to do would be to take it. Harvey requested advice as to whether he should write the Chief of Police, advising that the Chief had assumed a very unfriendly attitude in this connection. I suggested that he write him a letter stating that steps are being taken in the Federal Court to have the car declared contraband and confiscated, and that he is, of course, in the meantime charged with maintaining it in proper form. Harvey stated that they had secured the speedometer reading so that the Chief cannot use the car in the meantime without their knowledge.

Mr. Harvey is holding clothing and other material, and requested advice relative to returning it. I requested that he go through their possessions and return everything which is not of value as evidence. Mr. Harvey advised further that Dolores Delaney is expected to give birth to a child within five days.

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Respectfully,

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U. S. Department of Justice 8:15 P.M.
Washington, D. C.

February 1, 1935

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Mr. Connelley called from Toledo to advise that he presently has in custody one Colin Munroe, a bartender, formerly employed by Ted Angus, and one Walter Felbush. These two individuals are the two persons who have been residing in the Angus camp, four miles outside of Toledo. Munroe has advised that the fugitives in the Bremer case have been in that vicinity in the past. Mr. Connelley advised that no one knows we are holding Munroe and Felbush, who are being held in hotel rooms. As soon as these men have been thoroughly interrogated, they will be released, since there is no basis for any harboring charges against them.

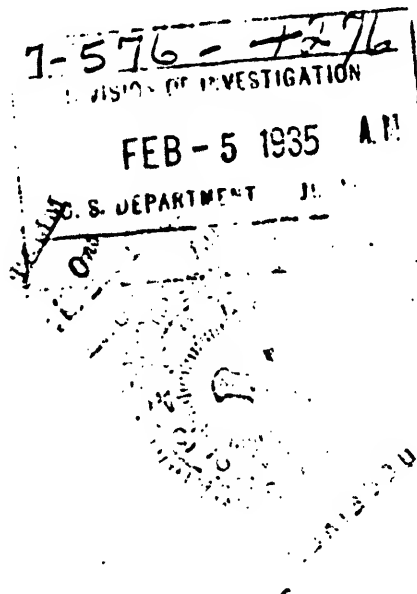
Mr. Connelley states that these evidently are the only two men who have been residing in the Angus Camp for some time past.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR Frank L. Garbarino.

Suite 6 Fralinger Bldg.
Boardwalk at N. 1. Ave.
Atlantic City, New Jersey

January 31, 1935.

answered by Division
1-31-35

J. Edgar Hoover, Esq.,
Director, - Bureau of Investigation,
Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Director:

Under date 25th instant, I mailed you a personal and confidential letter, by special delivery, containing memorandum covering certain data.

Am wondering whether you received same?

Very sincerely,

Frank L. Garbarino
Frank L. Garbarino

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FILE NO. 7-59

FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT ST. PAUL, MINN.

REPORT MADE AT: PITTSBURGH, PA.	DATE WHEN MADE: 2-4-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1/20-30/35	REPORT MADE BY: S. S. RUBINSTEIN
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I. O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Officials in Hospitals in Pittsburgh District circularized advising them of escape of Karpis and Campbell from Atlantic City. Wynona Burdette's brother, Arthur Burdette, located Erie, Pa., who furnished names and addresses of other brothers and sisters and is apparently willing to cooperate in effecting apprehension of Campbell. Records of birth of Harry Campbell at Oil City not available.			
REFERENCE: Division telegram dated January 20, 1935.			
DETAILS: This report records investigative activity on the part of reporting agent, Special Agents DiLillo, Rider and Special Agent in Charge, Waters. On receipt of reference telegram arrangements were made to have an appropriate message broadcast over the teletype from the Pittsburgh District, but it was ascertained that the information had already been broadcast. Contact was, therefore, made with Hospitals in the Metropolitan Dist. to be on the look-out for Campbell. A form letter was immediately prepared and distributed to all peace officers in the District covered by this office, said officers being informed of the dangerous character of Karpis and Campbell and being advised that they were heavily armed and that caution should be taken in taking them into custody. Descriptions were also included.			
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APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>[Signature]</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-4278 BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FEB 5 1935 P.M. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ROUTED TO: FILE ON: SECT: 1 FEB 5 - 1935 CHECKED OFF: FEB 12 1935 JACKETED:		
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At about 11:00 P.M. January 21, 1935, telephone call was received from Corp. Kshleman of Troop A, Pennsylvania State Police at Greensburg, to the effect that a teletype message had been received from Harrisburg that a black 1934 Plymouth Coupe with a green stripe around the bottom, Pa. (1935) license plates #39179, Motor PC-#16792, Serial #1713859, had been stolen at Allentown, Pa. This car was the property, according to the message, of Dr. Horace W. Hunsicker, a doctor on duty at the Allentown State Hospital. It was ascertained that Dr. Hunsicker had been held up in Allentown, Pa. and forced to drive to the vicinity of Medina, Ohio, where he was taken from the car and bound. This latter information was obtained from the Sheriff, Medina, O. and Corp. Kshleman later advised that one of the men in the automobile, according to the doctor, had in his possession, a machine gun. This information was immediately telephoned to the Division and to the Detroit Office and it was suggested to Special Agent in Charge Larson, by Special Agent in Charge J. J. Waters, that this office would await word from the Detroit Office concerning the results of the interview with Dr. Hunsicker to ascertain whether there was any possibility that Karpis and Campbell would retreat eastward from Medina and possibly return to the vicinity of Erie, where Arthur Burdette, the brother of Wynona Burdette, lived.

At approximately 7:00 A.M. January 22, 1935, Special Agent in Charge Waters, received a telephone call from Special Agent Trapani, from Wadsworth, Ohio, in which conversation results of Agent Trapani's interview with Dr. Hunsicker was obtained and it appeared unlikely therefrom that either Karpis or Campbell had returned eastward.

On the morning of January 22, 1935, Mr. Tamm of the Division informed Special Agent in Charge Waters, telephonically, that the Division had received information to the effect that Wynona Burdette had a brother residing in Erie, but no address or description was available. This agent was instructed to proceed immediately to Erie and conduct appropriate investigation. In the meantime, Special Agent in Charge Waters, contacted Special Agent in Charge Harvey at Philadelphia, telephonically, to ascertain whether it would be possible to obtain from Wynona Burdette any description or other identifying data concerning her brother, Arthur Burdette, in Erie.

Special Agent in Charge Waters was later advised by Mr. Harvey that Wynona Burdette did not furnish the address of her brother in Erie, but did furnish the following information concerning him, which later proved to be absolutely false. Name, Robert Burdette (his correct name is Arthur), age 31, height 5' 10", weight, 130 lbs., eyes, brown, hair, brown. The correct description of Burdette as obtained from observation by this agent is as follows: age, 34, height 6' weight 185 lbs., eyes, gray, hair, brown.

Through the assistance of Postmaster Herbert Schlaudecker, Supt. of Mails, Ralph R. Weigel and Assistant Supt. of Mails, Edward Wittmann, agent was able to ascertain that mail had been delivered to Art Burdette by Postman H. S. Pfeil, said mail having been delivered to him at 132 East 9th Street, Erie, Pa.

At 132 East 9th Street, Agent interviewed Mrs. Irene LaForte on the pretext of being a bill collector and inquired for Art Burdette. Mrs. LaForte stated that Burdette was not living there any longer and also made the remark, "Are you looking for him too?" She was then told that effort was being made to locate him and she then stated that he is now living at the Ryan Rooming House, 907 French Street, which is around the corner from her place. Mrs. LaForte was very hesitant about giving any information regarding Burdette but she was later told that agent was a Federal Officer and then she spoke more freely, stating that she was afraid to give very much information regarding Burdette because during the time that he lived in her house, he boasted of being connected with bank robbers and different types of gangsters, and he had told her that if anyone gave information concerning him he would "get them." After assuring Mrs. LaForte that anything she said would be kept very confidential, she advised further that she knew Burdette, who was half Indian; that he had an Indian wife and two children in Tulsa, Okla. and that he had re-married before obtaining a divorce from his first wife. Mrs. LaForte further stated that his second wife is Helen Hanson who had lived with him at her house and during which time he had treated her very badly and had often threatened to beat her; that she, his second wife, had left Erie and is now living with her mother at 536 Valley Street, Lewistown, Pa. Mrs. LaForte indicated that there was bitter feeling towards Burdette on the part of the second wife, residing at Lewistown, and expressed the opinion that if she were interviewed, she would tell anything she knew about it. Accordingly, this agent called Special Agent Waters, who relayed the information to the Philadelphia Office, suggesting that the second Mrs. Burdette be interviewed at Lewistown. Mrs. LaForte stated that the second Mrs. Burdette "knows plenty about that gang."

Upon ascertaining the address of Burdette, from Mrs. LaForte, this agent contacted W. J. Donoghue, Detective Sergeant, Erie Police Department, who procured the assistance of Private Cecil Mathias of the Pennsylvania State Police. On proceeding to 907 French Street, Sgt. Donoghue remained in his car in front of the house, Private Mathias covered the rear of the Building and agent proceeded to the residence and learned that Arthur Burdette resided there. Burdette volunteered to proceed to the State Police Barracks where he was questioned by this agent. Burdette indicated a willingness to cooperate and furnish all the information in his possession. He stated that his name is Arthur Pickens Burdette; that he was born at Stillwater, Okla.; that he is 34 years old. He stated his sister's correct name is Wynona and that she will be 21 years old her next birthday which is in May and that he has the following additional brothers and sisters:

Aaron Burdette, Kansas, Okla.
 Mrs. John (Fern) O'Brien, St. Paul, Kansas.
 Mrs. Esther Wilson, Irondale, Okla.
 Mrs. Mildred Jones, Turley, Okla.

(continued)

A sister who is known as Jimmie Rose and another sister who is known as Eunice Hughes; both residing at Ponca City, Okla. and now living with their husbands; singers at the Ponca broadcasting Station.

Fordland
Mrs. May Johnson, Route 1, Missouri. A sick woman to whom they do not wish to have the present notoriety known.

Mrs. Mark Whinnery (Ruth) Tulsa, Okla. (Likely to have some information about Campbell).

Burdette further stated that he knows Campbell very well and that he has known him since boyhood; that Campbell knows Burdette's sisters, especially Mildred Jones, at Turley Okla. and Jimmy Rose and Eunice Hughes, at Ponca City, Okla. and that they would surely know when Campbell comes to their respective towns. Burdette stated that he does not know Karpis very well and only met him once.

He had knowledge of the following hangouts of Campbell:

A Filling Station in South Coffeyville, Okla., the exact name of which is not known to him;

Hominy, Okla. about 80 miles south of Coffeyville;

A place known as Squint Rodgers, at Skiatook, Okla.

Burdette stated that he had not seen his sister, Wynona for about a year; that the last time he had seen her was in Bixby, Okla., where she was living with her former husband, Eldon Stanborough (phonetic spelling) and that Campbell practically forced her to go along with him. Burdette is not sure whether Wynona is Campbell's girl or Karpis' girl.

Burdette also stated that he knows that Campbell was with Floyd up until the time Floyd was killed and he knows this to be a fact. The last time he saw Campbell was in July, 1933 at Coffeyville, Kansas.

He stated that Campbell's people are all in Tulsa and that Campbell has a brother, Jack, who was a Constable at Tulsa about two years ago.

Burdette plays in an Orchestra at a cheap dance place in the American Legion Hall, located on the Second Floor at Parade and 12th Streets.

Burdette was very "sugary" in his manner and stated that he would be willing to go to Philadelphia if his expenses were paid and speak to his sister privately and by doing so he is certain that he could secure from her information as to the destination of Karpis and Campbell and where

their probable hideouts are. He believes that she would be willing to tell him, her brother, inasmuch as she is now in this difficulty.

Agent told Burdette that he wanted to see him again the next day and that in the meantime, he, Burdette, should try to refresh his memory for any additional information he had regarding Campbell.

Burdette was again interviewed the following day by Agent and at that time was discreetly questioned as to whether Campbell was one of the men who took part in the Kansas City Massacre. Burdette replied that Campbell was with the Gang all the time, which would indicate that Campbell was probably present. He also made mention of his dislike for Campbell inasmuch as Campbell was greatly responsible for his sister's predicament. Burdette was also asked if at any time Campbell or Karpis had ever visited him while at Erie and he replied in the negative. At this point it may be mentioned that Mrs. LaForte was questioned along these lines and photographs of Karpis and Campbell were shown to her and she stated that no one resembling them had ever visited her home.

Burdette also stated that if Campbell and Karpis were in Okla. he would be willing, through the contacts which he knows, to find out exactly where they were hiding but as to their places in other Cities he was not familiar with their identities.

Burdette raised the point as to whether a reward was being offered for information leading to the capture and arrest of Campbell and Karpis.

While in Erie, agent covered mail and also Western Union and Postal Telegraph Offices. Mr. L. A. Shew, Manager of the Western Union and Mr. J. C. Purches of the Postal Telegraph Offices promised to notify agent if any messages were received by Arthur Burdette.

Agent maintained a constant contact with the above mentioned authorities while in Erie.

Burdette also advised that he had played in Al Capone's private orchestra in Chicago but could give no information regarding the activities and hideouts of the gangs there.

Agent was furnished with the following mail tracings:
Assistant Supt. of Mails, Edward Whittman.

Letter from Mrs. John O'Brien, St. Paul, Kansas, who is sister of Burdette.

Letter from 536 Valley Street, Lewistown, Pa., which is address of Burdette's second wife.

Burdette allowed agent to read the letter which he had received on the morning of January 24th from St. Paul, Kansas, from his sister, Mrs. O'Brien, but it contained nothing of value, merely stating that she, Mrs. O'Brien, had read newspaper accounts regarding Wynona's activities at Atlantic City and how sorry she was that the family was receiving this ugly publicity.

Inasmuch as it appeared that the description of her brother furnished Special Agent in Charge Connelley, by Wynona Burdette, was not identical with the actual description of Arthur Burdette, it was felt that possibly she was not furnishing accurate information to those interviewing her at Philadelphia and since Arthur Burdette expressed a willingness to cooperate and as a matter of fact manifested an interest in causing Campbell's apprehension for his treatment of his sister, Mr. Tamm of the Division was telephonically contacted and suggestion made that Burdette proceed, with an agent of this office, to Philadelphia, to interview his sister because Burdette had stated that he knew she would tell him the truth and any information developed by him would be readily furnished the Division.

Mr. Tamm, however, stated that Wynona Burdette was cooperating with the Agents of the Philadelphia Office and the matter was disregarded.

On January 24th a telegram was received from the Okla. City Office requesting this office to ascertain the date and place of the birth of Harry Campbell, who allegedly was born at Oil City, Pa., January 1, 1900. Inasmuch as the telegram was received after the office of the Clerk of Courts had been closed, Special Agent in Charge Waters telephonically contacted Sheriff Beatty at Franklin in Venango County, Pa., who stated that he would attempt to obtain the desired information from the records. Sheriff Beatty called this office later and advised that the regulations requiring the registration of births in Pa. were not enacted until 1906 and therefore the information could not be obtained except by inquiry at Oil City.

On the following day, however, a telegram was received from the Okla. City Office advising this office to disregard the previous telegram as the information had been obtained.

On January 30, 1931 information was received from George J. Christoph, Chief of Detectives, at Erie to the effect that Arthur Burdette had informed him that one Zem Greenwood of Turley, Okla., proprietor of a drug store and beer garden, was a friend of Harry Campbell.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

THE OKLAHOMA CITY DIVISION OFFICE AT:

TULSA, OKLA. will endeavor to locate the first wife of Arthur P. Burdette, who is an Indian and has one boy and one girl, children of Arthur Burdette, with her, and discreetly question her as to whether or not her former husband was in any way connected with Karpis and Campbell or their gang. Also, if she knows the location of any possible hideouts of Karpis and Campbell either in Oklahoma or elsewhere. Also, ascertain from her, if possible, if Campbell or Karpis ever visited her husband and if so, when and where.

TULSA, OKLA. will interview MRS. MARK (MUTH) WHINNEY, sister of Arthur Burdette, who is believed to have in her possession information concerning Campbell. Ascertain, if possible, from her, the names of any friends of Campbell that she knows of and possible hideouts of Campbell and when he was last seen by her. Also, ascertain any information that she may have with reference to the gang and their probable hideouts in Okla. and elsewhere.

KANSAS, OKLA. interview AARON BURDETTE, brother of Arthur Burdette, along the above suggested lines and verify with him the names and addresses of brothers and sisters as set out by Arthur Burdette.

IRONDALE, OKLA. interview MRS. ESTHER WILSON, sister of Arthur Burdette, along the above suggested lines.

TURLEY, OKLA. interview MRS. MILDRED JONES, sister of Arthur Burdette, who is alleged to be very friendly with Campbell and whom he has visited on numerous occasions. In fact, he is said to visit her every time he comes through Turley, Okla. Also question her along the above suggested lines.

TURLEY, OKLA. interview ZEM GREENWOOD, proprietor of a drug store and beer garden, who is said to be a friend of Harry Campbell. Ascertain from him the names of other friends of Campbell and also when he last saw Campbell and Karpis. Also question him along the above suggested lines.

PONCA CITY, OKLA. interview JIMMY ROSE and EUNICE HUGHES, sisters of Arthur Burdette, who are singers at the Ponca City Broadcasting Station, who are also alleged to be friendly with Campbell, and whom he often visits. These girls may be able to give information as to possible hideouts and names and addresses of some of his friends. Also question them along the above suggested lines.

BIXBY, OKLA. interview ELDON STANBOROUGH, husband of Wynona Burdette, and obtain from him all information possible regarding the entire Burdette family names and addresses of brothers and sisters and their connection with Karpis and Campbell and any information that he may have regarding Campbell & Karpis.

SKIATOOK, OKLA. Discreetly interview SQUINT ROGERS, whom Arthur Burdette alleges has harbored Campbell at various times.

SOUTH COFFEYVILLE, OKLA. will contact the local peace officer and endeavor to ascertain from him the name of the filling station in South Coffeyville where it is alleged by Burdette that Campbell and Karpis frequently visit. After its location has been ascertained, interview the owner or the proper party running this filling station and obtain all information possible.

HOMINY, OKLA. will contact the local peace officer and ascertain from him any hideouts in this vicinity of Campbell and Karpis.

THE KANSAS CITY DIVISION OFFICE at SAINT PAUL, KANSAS, will interview Mrs. JOHN O'BRIEN, another sister of Arthur Burdette, and verify with her the names and addresses of all brothers and sisters in the Burdette family and ascertain from her any information that she may have along the above suggested lines.

AT FORDLAND, MISSOURI, will interview MRS. MAY JOHNSON, Route 1, another sister. Arthur Burdette stated that this sister was very ill and any shock might prove fatal and it is suggested that her husband be first interviewed as to any information he can furnish along the lines mentioned above and if he deems it advisable, then interview his wife for information she may have.

THE PHILADELPHIA DIVISION OFFICE at LEWISTOWN, PA. will interview Helen Hanson, 536 Valley Street, the present wife of Burdette who is at the present time residing with her mother and discreetly interview her as to her husband, Arthur Burdette and ascertain if possible if he at any time had any connection with Karpis and Campbell or their gang and if any members of this gang or Campbell or Karpis had ever visited her husband and if so, when and where. Also, any other information it is possible to obtain from her along the above suggested lines. It is believed that she has information concerning Campbell.

It is suggested that all the above mentioned interviews be made in a discreet manner, as in most cases, they are friendly with Campbell.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 1, 1935

Time - 11:30 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
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I telephoned Mr. Coulter at the St. Paul Office and inquired whether Byron Bolton and Farmer and the others there have been interrogated relative to the Hamm Kidnaping case. He stated that all persons in custody there have been vigorously questioned about this matter, and claim to have no information whatsoever in their possession about the case; that the interrogating Agents feel that they are telling the truth in this regard.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM

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DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 30, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time 8:10 PM

Re: Bremer case.

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SAC Alt telephoned from Jacksonville and advised that Agent Brown had just telephoned from Havana, Cuba, and advised that the house leased by Karpis when he was in Havana was vacant; that it was learned that the house was leased for the season at \$300, about September 20, 1934, the lease to expire February 15, 1935; that Karpis and Delaney hurriedly left this place on December 11th or 12th; that they were the only occupants of the place having three servants. The place was leased through the aid of one Heller, an American, who manages the Park View Hotel in Havana and is thought to be connected with Adams and to have known Karpis. It was learned also that "Ma" Barker had visited the place the first part of December, staying several days.

It appears that no one in the vicinity of the house rented by Karpis knew who he was until a few days after he had left the vicinity, when a neighbor saw his picture in a magazine and recognized him. This lady immediately wrote to the American Vice-Consul at Matanzas, who took no action in the matter but wrote to the lady and referred her to the Ambassador at Havana, taking no further interest in the matter.

While Karpis was at the place, the Harrises and mother Barker were the only visitors. Karpis, when he left, is thought to have left the car purchased by Dolores Delaney in Havana with Heller, but this has not been located as yet.

Agent Brown is of the opinion that Willy Harrison and Harry Sawyer may still be in the vicinity of Havana and that Heller possibly knows where they are. I instructed Mr. Alt to get in touch with Agent Brown and instruct him to interview Heller with a view to obtaining all the information he may have concerning the mob; that it will, of course, be impossible to prosecute Heller on a harboring charge because of the fact that Cuba will lie outside of our jurisdiction, but that for this reason Brown should indicate to Heller that he will not be prosecuted if he will make a statement.

Mr. Alt stated that Agent Brown had advised him that they are getting excellent cooperation from the police officers of Cuba.

I instructed Mr. Alt to give the above to Mr. Hanson.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 31, 1935

6:30 P. M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TALL

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
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Chief Clerk.....
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Mr. Connelley called me from Toledo, Ohio, and advised that he had not yet submitted the report covering the shooting at Oklawaha, Florida; that the memoranda submitted by Agents who participated in the raid were at the Chicago Division Office, and that in the event a raid was conducted on the farm house located near Toledo, Ohio, tonight, he would return to Chicago and submit the report at the earliest possible moment; that from his observations at Toledo, that it looked pretty good; that the house is isolated and is located on a lake; that they endeavored to approach the house last night but were forced to withdraw because of some barking dogs; that he believes at least one of the suspects is located in this house.

Relative to the raid at Oklawaha, Florida, I inquired as to the accuracy of press reports that the colored helper had been instructed to enter the house after the shooting for the purpose of ascertaining whether the occupants had been wounded. Mr. Connelley stated that they were partly correct; that Willie Westbury, colored, was instructed to enter the house; that the first time he attempted to enter, the doors were locked; that he made a second attempt and forced one of the doors open, went to the second floor, looked out the window and said he could find no one in the rooms, but that one of the rooms had its doors closed. Mr. Connelley stated that Westbury was instructed to enter this room and find out whether the occupants were only wounded or had been killed; that he did so and reported at the window that they were both in that room and were dead.

I also asked Mr. Connelley about the telegram which was directed to him by the San Francisco Office, dated January 26, 1935, wherein it was indicated that Charles J. Fitzgerald as C. J. Murphy was located as a patient at the Vallejo General Hospital. Mr. Connelley called my attention to the fact that I had probably misread the telegram, and upon examining it further found that I had misread "November" for "January". Mr. Connelley stated that with reference to this telegram they had checked the Illinois license mentioned therein and had found that it was issued for a Buick car, Motor No. 2,875,177, Serial No. 2,716,681, to one C. J. Murphy, 7150 Cyril Parkway, Chicago, Illinois, at which address it was

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ascertained that Fitzgerald had resided from August 27, 1933 through April 1, 1934. Mr. Connelley stated that they had checked the records of the Registration Bureau in Ohio for this same automobile, but without success.

Respectfully,

Newby
R. E. Newby. *byea*

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Mr. Connelley advised that he will submit the report on the shooting at Oklawaha, Florida at the earliest possible time.

The situation near Toledo looked pretty good; the house is isolated and is located on a lake; agents endeavored to approach the house last night but were forced to withdraw because of barking dogs; that he believes one of the suspects is located in this house.

Re: raid in Florida, Mr. Connelley stated that Willie Westbury, colored, was instructed to enter the house and on the second attempt forced a door, went to the second floor, looked out the window and said he could find no one in the rooms but that one of the rooms had the doors closed. He was instructed to enter this room, which he did, and reported that both in that room were dead.

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RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - I. O. 1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases - I. O. 1219
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - I. O. 1232
RUSSELL GIBSON (deceased) with aliases; et al
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Jacksonville, Fla.
January 30, 1935

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman..
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Fox.....
Mr. Glavin.....
Mr. Ladd.....
Mr. Nichols.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

At ten PM on January 29, 1935, Agent R. D. Brown by long distance telephone from Havana, Cuba, advised that he had located George Harris, an American moon-keeper, in Havana; that Harris had stated that Karpis, with his woman, Dolores Delaney, came to Havana on September 20, 1934; Karpis had a card from Joe Adams advising that the bearer was okay, "do whatever you can for him". The first three or four days in Havana, Karpis and Delaney stopped at the Park View Hotel, and while there Delaney bought Ford sedan, new, motor 18-918995, paying for same with Cuban silver. After leaving the Park View Hotel, Karpis and Delaney went to Vadero Beach, a town on the north coast of Cuba, about one hundred twenty-five miles from Havana, and there rented a palatial home, with servants, etc. This home is near the former residence of ex-President Machado. They remained at this place for a month or six weeks and left suddenly.

After Delaney bought the Ford sedan she had it serviced on several occasions. Employees of the garage where the car was serviced stated that strange men accompanied her on these visits.

While Karpis and Delaney were at the aforementioned home at Vadero Beach, they had two dogs, which are still there. The described Ford sedan may also be there. Agent Brown is of the opinion that possibly members or contacts of this mob might possibly be residing at this place at the present time.

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Agent Brown states that Willie Harrison has been identified by two employees of the Presidente Hotel in Havana, as having called there on January 22, 1935, remained for a couple of hours and departed. It is possible that Harrison is presently at this home at Vadero Beach.

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Agent Brown also stated that information had come to him that employees of the Havana Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank had located several thousand dollars, identified as the ransom money paid in the Bremer case, which consists of Minneapolis Federal Reserve notes. Agent Brown will check this information as soon as possible.

Agent Brown stated that he had made arrangements to leave Havana early during the morning of January thirtieth, with Agent McKee, two Havana Secret Service Police Officers and Willis George, of the Customs Service, en route to the aforementioned home at Vadero Beach.

The aforementioned data were furnished Mr. Tamm of the Division, by long distance telephone at ten-thirty PM on January twenty-ninth. Mr. Tamm instructed that I again contact Agent Brown in Havana, instructing him to use every precaution in Cuba for his own safety and that of Agent McKee; that while Cuban officers may manifest a cooperative attitude, they did not realize, appreciate or comprehend the danger that might be involved. Mr. Tamm instructed that I inform Agent Brown to confine his activities to reconnoitering in Vadero Beach, to ascertain and determine the identities of the persons presently residing in the house rented by Karpis and Delaney and that if he determined that members of this mob were presently residing there, the Division should be immediately advised, when arrangements would be made to dispatch Division Agents to Cuba to assist in the apprehension of this mob; that arrangements would also be made in Washington with representatives of the Cuban Government for this activity; however, Agent Brown should be instructed that if an emergency arose whereby members of the mob could be apprehended with the assistance of the officers aforementioned, this should be done.

Mr. Tamm's instructions were transmitted to Agent Brown at the Plaza Hotel in Havana, at eleven PM.

At eleven-thirty PM, Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanlon at Miami, by long distance telephone, was furnished the substance of the information aforementioned herein, especially with reference to Joe Adams. At this time, Agent Hanlon advised

that Joe Adams believes that Willie Harrison, Cassius McDonald, and Harry Sawyer steered members of the Karpis-Barker-Campbell mob to the El Comodoro Hotel, they recommended this hotel to the mob. Harrison, Sawyer and McDonald talked to Adams in September, 1934, advising they had gambling joints in Miami, represented and controlled gambling in Cuba and had a joint in Ohio, and that they had to make frequent trips to close deals in Cuba. Adams also advised Agent Hanson that practically every day McDonald made a trip by plane to Havana, always carrying a small, tan brief bag. At this time, Sawyer and Harrison were stopping at the El Comodoro Hotel and McDonald was at the McAllister Hotel in Miami. Each evening when McDonald would return from Havana, Harrison and Sawyer would meet him at the airport and take him to Harrison's room in the El Comodoro Hotel. It is believed that at this time McDonald was carrying the hot Bremer money to Havana, where he was exchanging it and the exchanged money was returned by him to Miami to be cut among members of the mob.

Agent Hanson advised that McDonald was in Miami on January 25, 1935, with his wife, who is about thirty-five years of age, a platinum blonde and appears to be a woman of the sporting type. Agent Hanson is endeavoring to obtain photographs in Miami of McDonald. He stated that McDonald was also arrested in Havana on January 19, 1935, for investigation. He may have been photographed there.

According to Adams, McDonald stated to him that he contemplated sending friends to the El Comodoro Hotel and shortly after he made this statement Karpis, Barker and other members of the mob appeared at that hotel and they talked with Sawyer, Harrison and other members of the gang.

The aforementioned information received from Agent Hanson was transmitted to Agent McKee at the Plaza Hotel at eleven forty-five PM on January twenty-ninth. Agent McKee stated that he and Agent Brown had previously had most of this information and that investigation was being conducted in Havana to locate McDonald.

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In the event Agent Hanson can obtain McDonald's photograph in Miami, it will be immediately forwarded to Agents Brown and McKee in Havana.

Agents Brown and McKee advised the writer that the results of their investigation at Vadero Beach during January 30, 1935, would be immediately transmitted to the Jacksonville Office.

R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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CC Division (3)
E. J. Connelley (2)
Saint Paul (2)

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

February 5, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.
1218 - FUGITIVE, Et Al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the letter from the Division dated January 25, 1935, the palm prints of Wynona Burdett and Dolores DeLaney have been obtained and are being forwarded herewith to the Division for comparison with the latent fingerprint impressions previously found in apartment 7137 Yates Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

It may be noted that Dolores DeLaney has admitted living in the apartment at 7137 Yates Avenue for a lengthy period of time with Alvin Karpis who, she stated, had rented that apartment.

It may be further noted that she has stated that numerous persons connected with the gang visited them at this address and that she specifically remembers Fred Goetz, alias George Ziegler, deceased, as having been there but insists that none of the parties lived in the apartment with herself and Karpis.

Very truly yours,

R. G. Harvey

R. G. HARVEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - St. Paul
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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT NEW YORK CITY

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Mr. J. M. Patterson,
Editor,
The New York Daily News,
220 East 42nd Street,
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Patterson:

I have just seen a copy of the editorial
"More Congratulations to the Department of Justice",
which appeared in the News on January 18, 1935.

I appreciate the comments concerning
the effectiveness of this Division's efforts to
combat crime, and especially those following the
kidnaping of Edward G. Bremer.

Your expressions of support are greatly
appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar

Mr. Nathan.....
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NEW YORK DAILY NEWS
January 18, 1935

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Chief Clerk	✓
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MORE CONGRATULATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

There is something pretty drastic about the machine gun killing by Department of Justice agents of a 55-year-old woman, Ma Barker, on a Florida lake shore, along with Ma's son Fred.

But the story sounds less shocking when you reflect that Ma died with her boots on and a machine gun in her hand, and that she and her boy were clipped off by the Federal men because they were known as members of the gang that kidnaped Edward G. Bremer in St. Paul a year ago yesterday.

It looks as if this is the only way to make sure that kidnapers will get what is coming to them in this country. When they are formally arrested and politely tried, their lawyers are likely to work wonders in confusing the jury and hamstringing the judge. The utter ruthlessness of the Department of Justice in tracking kidnapers down and then shooting them down gets better and quicker results.

We should think the smart crooks would be about ready to give up kidnaping and go into other kinds of crime. The stupid ones, or the morons who are attracted to any kind of crime that is getting a big play in the papers, may go on snatching people in clumsy and half-baked ways, and being quickly run to earth in most cases. But the really wise criminals ought to know by this time that the Federal Government has declared war to the death on kidnaping. The war up to this time has been going about 95 per cent the Government's way.

Congratulations to the Department of Justice on the knocking off of Ma Barker and her son Fred. The Federal men must be coming to be as feared and hated by our criminals as the Royal Canadian Mounted Police are feared and hated by the crooks of Canada.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 17, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Mr. Nathan.....
Mr. Tolson.....
Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Baughman.....
Chief Clerk.....
Mr. Coffey.....
Mr. Edwards.....
Mr. Egan.....
Mr. Harbo.....
Mr. Keith.....
Mr. Lester.....
Mr. Quinn.....
Mr. Schilder.....
Mr. Tamm.....
Mr. Tracy.....
Miss Gandy.....

EPC:ON

The Russell Gibson guns were received by express Tuesday evening, January 15th, and consist of three Browning Automatic rifles with numbers removed and one Thompson Sub-Machine gun with numbers removed.

Attempts are being made to restore the numbers on these guns so far without success due to the fact that they have been removed by the use of a center punch driven deep into the metal. This indicates to me definite knowledge on the part of the criminals as to the possibilities of restoring numbers merely filed off.

In line with telephonic instructions from you regarding Mr. Nathan's letter of January 10, 1935, we are taking test shots through these guns and they will be furnished the Chicago Office to be turned over to the Cooke County Coroner's Office for use in comparison with the Valentine Day Massacre evidence. In addition, of course, the specimens will be compared with unidentified evidence in our files and a report submitted to Chicago.

Consignee's records of the express shipment are attached hereto for file.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey
E. P. Coffey.

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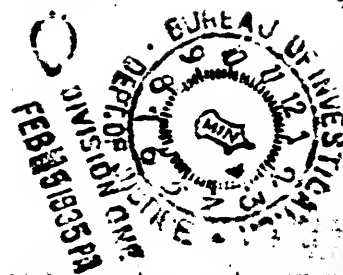
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Post Office Box 612
Chicago Illinois



February 4, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Detroit, Michigan

Dear Sir:

Special Agents R. L. Jones and W. C. Ryan of this Office con-
tacted [redacted] who has cooperated with this Division
in connection with the Russell Gibson case.

During the course of the general discussion with [redacted] in
connection with fugitive subjects in the Bremer kidnapping case, he advised
that Lewis Grossman, a Jew, 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches in height,
weighing 180 pounds, was formerly a very close friend of Russell Gibson,
and he was of the opinion that he had fingered several jewelry stickups
for Gibson. He stated that he had received information concerning a
jewelry stickup which was to be pulled in Detroit and he had agreed to
furnish information concerning this stickup in the event his name would
be held strictly confidential. [redacted] stated that Grossman, above
referred to, was presently in Michigan planning a holdup; that a Detroit
jewelry man had a jewelry salesman lined up to call on him in Detroit on
Wednesday or Thursday of the week of February 4, 1935, with about \$75,000
or \$100,000 worth of jewelry. The plan is for Grossman to furnish three
men to hold up this salesman and obtain the jewelry. [redacted] further states
that he knows one of the holdup men; that his name is Joe Subwareno, however,
he was unable to furnish these agents with the name of the jewelry store in
Detroit and states that it will be unlikely that he will learn of the name
of this store. However, in the event this stickup does take place, it may
be possible that he may obtain later information as to the participants, which
he will furnish to this Division.

It is suggested that you furnish the above information to the
local Police Department and it is believed that if they desire to obtain
additional information concerning this robbery that they may be able to
secure same by making inquiry at some of the large jewelry stores in Detroit
to ascertain whether they have a jewelry salesman who is to call on them
Wednesday or Thursday of this week with a large amount of jewelry. The
name of [redacted] should under no circumstances be furnished to the Detroit
Police Department or any other individual.

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Very truly yours, [redacted]

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R. H. FURVIS
Special Agent in Charge

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

N. Y. FILE NO. 7-123

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK CITY	DATE WHEN MADE 2/4/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/29/35	REPORT MADE BY BRYAN FARRELL
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218, FUGITIVE; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219; RUSSELL GIBSON, with aliases, I.O. #1213; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1222; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS <p>Colt Automatic Pistol #93719 shipped on 12/14/34 to the Ft. Budge Co., Miami, Fla. Winchester Rifle #154112-A shipped to the Swank Hardware Co., Johnstown, Pa. on 10/25/17. No record available in regard to Winchester Model .03 Automatic Rifle #124152.</p>			
REFERENCE: <p>Letter from Philadelphia office, dated 1/26/35.</p>			
DETAILS: <p>The letter of reference requested that this office conduct an investigation at the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, New Haven, Connecticut, and the Colt Manufacturing Company, Hartford, Connecticut, to determine what records these companies have of the sale of three guns hereinafter mentioned, which guns were abandoned by fugitives Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell at the time of their recent escape at Atlantic City, New Jersey.</p> <p>Mr. Robert Courtney of the Colt Manufacturing Company, Hartford, Connecticut, was telephonically contacted and he advised that the .22 calibre long barrel Colt Automatic Pistol, Woodsman Model, with pertridge sights, the number of which is 93719, was on December 14, 1934, shipped to the Ft. Budge Company, Miami, Florida.</p>			
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Mr. A. C. Curtis of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, New Haven, Connecticut, was telephonically contacted and he advised that the Winchester Rifle, Model 1895, lever action, #154112-A was of .33 calibre and was on October 25, 1917, shipped to the Swank Hardware Company of Johnstown, Pa., for a customer by the name of A. A. Dietrich of Nanty Glo, Pa. In reference to this gun, the letter of reference states that on the barrel thereof appear the figures "33, W.C.F." and that near the trigger on the middle part of the stock appears the figure "32". In this connection, Mr. Curtis advised the meaning of the former figures to be .33 calibre Winchester center fire while as to the latter figures, Mr. Curtis stated he had no knowledge or opinion. Mr. Curtis further advised that the records of the Winchester Company reflect no information in regard to the .22 calibre Winchester Model .03 Automatic Rifle #124138. It was Mr. Curtis' opinion that the reason for this lack of information would arise from the fact that this gun was shipped from the factory before records of such shipments were maintained.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS: JACKSONVILLE OFFICE.

At MIAMI, FLORIDA, will contact the Ft. Budge Company, and ascertain from their records any information in regard to the subsequent sale or disposal of the Colt Automatic Pistol #93719, which was shipped to this company on December 14, 1934, by the Colt Manufacturing Company.

PITTSBURGH OFFICE.

At JOHNSTOWN, Pa., will contact the Swank Hardware Company, for the purpose of ascertaining from their records any information in regard to the subsequent sale or disposal of the Winchester Rifle #154112-A which was shipped by the Winchester Company to the Swank Hardware Company on October 25, 1917. Will also ascertain from the records of the Swank Hardware Company any information in regard to A. A. Dietrich, the customer for whom this gun was shipped to the Swank Hardware Company.

At NANTY GLO, Pa., will interview A. A. Dietrich for information as to his knowledge of the gun in question.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
POST OFFICE BOX 829,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

February 4, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O.
1232; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER,
Victim - KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE #7-82

In connection with the various guns and ammunition shipped January 22, 1935, from the Jacksonville office to the Division for suitable examination in the Laboratory there, it is noted that there was included in this shipment .45 calibre shells, which were taken from the loaded drums recovered. There will also be found included in this shipment a number of exploded shells of .45 calibre bullets which were those found in the house and which were undoubtedly fired from the machine guns being used by Kate and Fred^CBarker.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

February 5, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Et Al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that it appears necessary to make thirty-nine copies of the report in connection with this matter.

The report of Special Agent J. R. Sharp, Philadelphia, Pa., dated 2-5-35, is 48 pages in length. Due to the stenographic congestion in this office, it appears practically impossible at the present time to make more than one run of eleven copies.

I would like to request that the Division prepare thirty photostatic copies of this report and forward them to the various field offices as follows:

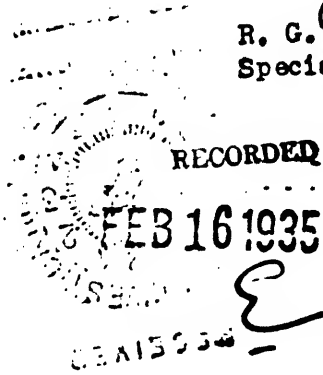
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Very truly yours,

R. G. Harvey, Jr.

R. G. HARVEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Drawer 1457
St. Louis, Missouri
February 4, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 836,
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O./1218
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases; RUSSELL
GIBSON, with aliases; DR. JOSEPH P.
MORAN, with aliases, I.O./1232, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent R. L. Shivers rendered at St. Louis, Missouri dated February 2, 1935. Your attention is particularly invited to the information in that report relating to the airplane trip Willie Harrison is thought to have made from Los Angeles, California to St. Louis, Missouri arriving in the latter city around October 29, 1934.

I have been informed by representatives of the American Airways in St. Louis that a ticket #OW 3-12360 was purchased in Los Angeles, California on October 29, 1934 by Elmer Howe 6715 8th Ave. Los Angeles, California for passage to Chicago, Illinois with stop-over privilege in St. Louis, Missouri. It is believed that the person who purchased this ticket is the subject Willie Harrison of this investigation. Accordingly, you are therefore requested to conduct appropriate inquiry in Los Angeles in an effort to ascertain if Harrison was staying at 6715 8th Ave. at the time this ticket was purchased, as perhaps he may have returned to that address, and information may be secured there concerning him and other members of the Barker-Karpis mob who are still at large.

There is being forwarded herewith, a photograph of William J. Harrison for use in the investigation, which should be returned to the St. Louis Office when it has served its purpose. Please give this matter your immediate attention.

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Very truly yours,

FEB 7 1935

R. E. VETTERLI,
Special Agent in Charge

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AGENTS ,. J C WHITE, JL MADALA, A P BARBER, T M MCDADE AND

CONNELLEY RETURNED FROM TOLEDO TO CHICAGO 6 AM TODAY. COLIN MUNROE AND

WALTER Belpash, NILES, OHIO, LIVING COTTAGE ON LAKE ERIE NEAR COTTAGE

BERT ANGUS TOLEDO BROUGHT TO HOTEL TOLEDO FOR QUESTIONING NIGHT FEBRUARY

FIRST. Belpash ASSOCIATE, ANGUS BROTHERS, ET AL, WOULD FURNISH LITTLE

INFORMATION. MUNROE, BARTENDER CASINO CLUB OPERATED BY ANGUS, FORMER

CONVICT, IDENTIFIES DOC AND FRED BARKER, HARRY CAMPBELL, ALVIN KARPIS,

PAULA HARMOND AND DOLORES DELANEY AS BEING AROUND CASINO CLUB TOLEDO

LAST SPRING AND ALSO VISITED MIDDLE ISLAND LATER CLAIMS NO INFORMATION ON

PRESENT LOCATION. MUNROE AGREES TO RETURN TO WORK CASINO CLUB AND ACT

AS INFORMANT IN HOPE OBTAINING SOME REWARD ON CAMPBELL AND KARPIS IF HE

CAN GET INFORMATION THEIR LOCATION. OTHER DEVELOPMENTS TOLEDO DEPENDENT

ON RESULTS ON TELEPHONES COVERED SAME AS TO CLEVELAND, OHIO.

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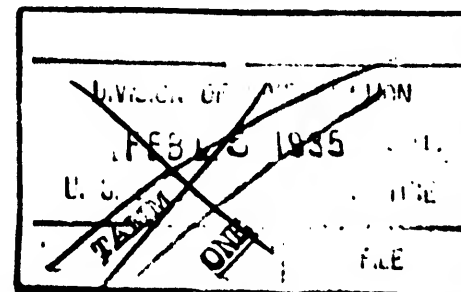
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MONDAY. AGENTS MELVIN, LAFRANCE, MUZZEY AND SULLIVAN REMAINED TOLEDO
TEMPORARILY TO ASSIST SAC LARSON ON TAPS THERE.

MY PRESENT ADDRESS IS HOTEL BREVOORT TELEPHONE FRANKLIN 2363.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

February 5, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 -
FUGITIVE, Et Al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that on January 30, a letter was sent from this office to the Division requesting that a letter, addressed to Dolores Delaney, Danmore Hotel, Atlantic City, N.J., be examined and that handwriting comparisons be made.

It is intended that the comparison be made with handwriting specimens of other members of this gang in order to ascertain whether the letter might have been written by one of them.

Very truly yours,

R. G. Harvey
R. G. HARVEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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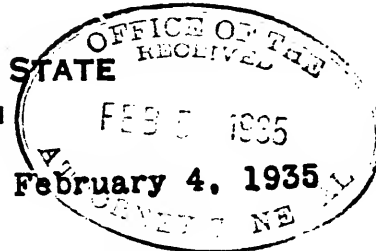
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SECRETARY OF STATE

My dear Mr. Attorney General:

With reference to telephone conversations of Mr. Newby, of the Division of Investigation, with an officer of this Department on January 22 and 23, 1935, concerning the examination of a safe deposit box at Habana, which is rented by an alleged kidnaper, there is transmitted herewith a copy of a despatch, dated January 25, 1935, from our Embassy at Habana, concerning the result of the agent's investigation, and reporting the agent's failure to identify himself to the Embassy in accordance with the instructions which may be assumed to have been given upon this Department's request.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure:
From Embassy, Habana,
No. 2504, January 25,
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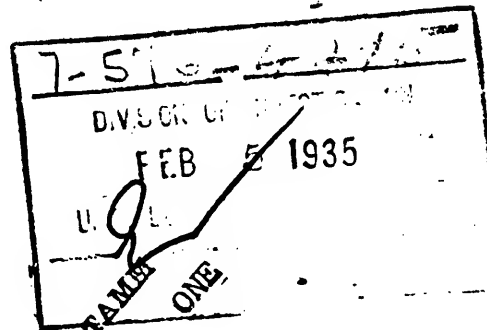
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The Honorable
Homer S. Cummings,
Attorney General.

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No. 2504

Habana, January 25, 1935

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Subject: {Opening of safe deposit box in Habana
bank in connection with kidnaping case

The Honorable

The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to refer to the Department's
rush telegram No. 14, of January 22, 1 p.m., to the
Embassy's rush reply, No. 16, January 22, 6 p.m.,
and to the Department's further telegram No. 15, of
January 23, 2 p.m., with respect to the desire of
the Department of Justice to have a representative
of that Department examine the contents of a safe
deposit box of the Habana branch of the National
City Bank in connection with a kidnaping case. The
Embassy has been informed that Mr. Brown, referred
to in the Department's aforesaid telegram as pos-
sessing

opening the keys to the box in question, and another Department of Justice representative duly examined the box and found it empty.

I desire to report, however, as a matter of record that this information was received from the Manager of the Bank in question and that neither Mr. Brown nor any other representative of the Department of Justice presented himself at the Embassy in connection with the case. On Sunday, January 20, Mr. Brown telephoned the First Secretary of the Embassy and requested an appointment to meet him at the Chancery. Shortly before the appointed time, however, Mr. Brown called again to say that he had obtained the information he desired. Upon receipt of the Department's first telegram above mentioned, the Embassy immediately requested the Manager of the National City Bank to call. He did so promptly and readily gave his permission for the examination of the box, as the Department was duly informed by telegraph. The Manager of the Bank, Mr. Schellens, stated that representatives of the Department of Justice had already been in communication with the Bank officials; that the case involved was an exceedingly "tough" one and that he was not at liberty to reveal its nature. He added that Mr. Brown had

was so confidential that he did not communicate with the Embassy concerning receipt of inst.

to in the Department's telegram No. 15, Mr. Brown made his own arrangements directly with the Bank for the examination of the box alleged to contain ransom money. Whether or not he is still in Habana neither the Embassy nor the Bank is aware.

Respectfully yours,

A true copy of
the signed original
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February 14, 1935

The Honorable,
The Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to your communication, your file LA 102.5/1007, dated February 4, 1935 with which was transmitted a copy of a dispatch dated January 25, 1935 from the American Embassy at Habana, Cuba, reporting the failure of a Special Agent of the Division of Investigation of this Department to properly identify himself to the American Embassy.

I regret that the Special Agent took it upon himself to disregard the instructions which emanated from the Department of State at Washington, D. C., and which were telephonically relayed to him at Habana, Cuba. Appropriate action has since been taken in the premises and the matter has been taken up by a representative of the Division of Investigation and fully explained to the American Ambassador at Habana, Cuba.

I appreciate the cooperation which has been extended to representatives of the Division of Investigation during the recent investigations which were conducted in Cuba.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Attorney General.

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**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
AND
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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minnesota.

FILE NO. 7-45 AM

REPORT MADE AT: PHILADELPHIA, PA.	DATE WHEN MADE: 2-5-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 1-20-24-35	REPORT MADE BY: J. R. SHARP
TITLE: CHANGED: ALVIN KARPIS, aliases: A. Carter, Raymond Headley, George Haller, Alvin Karpis, A. Karpis, Karl Peel, Alvin Kapis, George Dunn, R. E. Hamilton, Ray Hunter, Ray Karpis, E. L. Burns, R. L. Burns, J. J. Burns, William Lohman, Wynona Burdett William B. Lohman, Alvin Karpavics, R. E. Nelson, Earl Lyman Burns, Marion Bradford, H. J. Milgreth, H. G. Milgreth, Howard Milgreth, E. L. Burnes, Ray Hall, Dan Murphy, "Chi" Karpis, Raymond Hadley, Alvin Karpis, "James", Charles M. Bronson, Ray Green, E. N. Green, E. H. Wagner, "Ray", LeRoy Morrison, Ray, or R. St. Carson, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE. HARRY CAMPBELL, aliases: Dave Campbell, T. E. Blackburn, George L. Martin, George Nelson, John Walcott, George Walcott, George Winfield, George Swanson, George, or G. J. Summers, G. C. Cameron, G. C. Cameron - FUGITIVE. WYNONA BURDETT, aliases: Wynona Walcott, Miss Graham, Mrs. Ray Summers - FUGITIVE. DOLORES DELANEY, aliases: S. A. Green, Louise Graham, L. O. Wood, Mrs. A. B. Graham - FUGITIVE, Et Al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING
<p>Synopsis: Subjects ALVIN KARPIS, HARRY CAMPBELL, WYNONA BURDETT, and DOLORES DELANEY, arrived Atlantic City, N.J., 1-18-35; Atlantic City Police received teletype message 1-30-35 to apprehend occupants Buick sedan, bearing Florida license D-5-306. Car located Coast Garage, Atlantic City, 3.30 A.M., 1-20-35; occupants located Danmore Hotel, 4.30 A.M. Officers called on KARPIS and CAMPBELL to surrender; proprietress opened door and fugitives opened fire, allegedly with Tommy guns, wounding DELANEY in right leg. Officers sought cover while fugitives ran to Coast Garage and stole 1935 Pontiac coach; fired more shots at police and headed out of town. Pontiac coach found.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>R. G. Harvey</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE		RECORDED AND INDEXED: 7-576-4296 FEB 6 1935 FEB 6 1935 A.M. BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ROUTED TO: <i>ONE</i> <i>SECT</i>	
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abandoned 2-1/2 miles northeast Quakertown, Pa., 1-21-35. Subjects KARPIS and CAMPBELL stopped Dr. H. H. Hunsicker, forcing him to drive 1934 Plymouth coach from Sellersville, Pa., to Guilford Centre, Ohio, where subjects stole car and proceeded west.

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REFERENCES: Report of Special Agent J. D. Cunningham, dated 1-23-35 at Buffalo, N.Y.; Division telegrams dated 1-20-35; report of Special Agent J. H. Hanson, dated 11-23-34 at Birmingham, and report of Special Agent R. D. Brown, dated 9-19-34 at Chicago.

DETAILS: The title of this case has been changed to include the names Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdett for reasons set out in this report and to include new aliases for the Subjects and for Subject Karpis and Campbell. The word Fugitive has been added to Subjects Karpis and Campbell as it appears "not found" returns appear at St. Paul. Subsequent reports should drop the word "fugitive" from the title following Subjects Burdett and Delaney since they are now in Federal custody.

The information and investigation set forth herein was effected by the following agents: B. F. Meekins, N. B. Wills, Ross Miller, N. S. Harzenstein, E. Wright, R. J. Zmeskal, C. K. Fierstone, and the writer, as the result of information received at the Philadelphia and New York Division Offices shortly after seven o'clock Sunday morning, January 20, 1935, that Subject ALVIN KARPIS and some companions had shot their way out of an Atlantic City hotel that morning.

At ATLANTIC CITY, New Jersey

From questioning of William Morley, his wife, Elizabeth Morley, and Daniel Young, owners of the Danmore Hotel, William Owen Roberts and Grady Boney, bell boys at the hotel, Dr. Carl Surran, Atlantic City Police Surgeon, James Smoot, attendant at the Coast Garage, and Captain Yates, Arch Witham, George Brennan, and Eddie Mulhearn, detectives, and Sergeant Joseph Florentino, James Campbell, Elias Saab, and Harry Powers, of the Atlantic City Police, it appears that:

Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdett arrived in Atlantic City, N.J., at about two o'clock on the afternoon of Friday, January 18, 1935, from Miami,

Florida, having come via train. They took a taxi (driver undetermined.) from the station to the Danmor Hotel, 123 S. Kentucky Avenue, where they registered as Mrs. A. B. Graham and sister, of Macon, Ga., and engaged room 400 on the fourth floor. Burdett made the arrangements for the room with Dan Young, half-owner of the hotel who was then on duty at the desk. It was evident to Young that Delaney was in a pregnant condition. William Owen Roberts, night bell boy, took the girls' baggage and led them up elevator to their room. There was no conversation between the girls and Young at the time of registering other than that pertaining to the engaging of the room, at which time Burdett replied to a question of Young that they intended to stay perhaps a week or two and maybe indefinitely.

Shortly after the girls had gone to their room one of them phoned to the desk. Young answered. The girl asked if this was Mr. Morley. Young replied that it was not, that Morley was across the street in his cigar store. Young offered to get Mr. Morley but the girl requested him not to. that ended that conversation.

A short time thereafter Delaney came downstairs and crossed the street to the cigar store. There she met both Morley and his wife and presented to them a note written in green ink on stationery of the Takiami Hotel, Miami, Florida, and addressed to Bill Morley, asking him to take care of his friend, Mrs. Graham, and to see that she got a good doctor. The note was signed "Duke", whom Morley identifies as Henry Stern alias Duke Randall.

Delaney inquired whether her husband had arrived and Mrs. Morley went to the hotel with her and checked the room cards for a Mr. Graham and found that he had not. Delaney stated then that she expected her husband shortly. The Morleys inquired of her whether she wanted a doctor then and Delaney replied that the following day would be satisfactory.

At this same time Mrs. Morley noticed that Delaney was thinly clad for the cold climate of Atlantic City in January and volunteered the loan of an old fur coat of hers.

Later in the afternoon both girls again visited the cigar store, purchased cigarets and newspapers from Mrs. Morley. They returned to the hotel, and no further visits or conversations that evening are known.

At about one o'clock on the morning of Saturday, January 19, 1935, a black Buick sedan drove in front of the hotel and Subjects Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell entered. Karpis approached the desk and inquired of Young, who was still on duty, whether he was addressing Mr. Morley. Young replied in the negative, whereupon Karpis inquired whether a Mrs. Graham and her sister were registered. Young checked his records and informed Karpis that they were. Karpis then registered for a room, signing the

card "R. S. Carson", and gave the pen to Campbell who signed as "G. C. Cameron," from Rock Harbor, Fla.

(Agent's note: This last name is clearly and legibly written on the card as Cameron; however, it is believed that Cameron was intended. The original registration cards are being retained in the files of the Philadelphia Office.)

Both men smelled of liquor. Young assigned them to room 300, on the third floor, but when Karpis asked whether the girls were on that floor, stating that he wanted to be on the same floor with them, Young assigned them to room 403, the nearest available room. They inquired for a nearby garage and were referred to the Coast Garage, across and further down the street near the boardwalk. Karpis requested Young to have William Morley call him at nine o'clock in the morning and Young prepared a note to Morley accordingly. Roberts, the bell boy, secured their baggage and led them to their room, receiving a twenty-five cent tip and orders to get them a pint of rye whiskey. Roberts secured the liquor and delivered it. At that time Karpis gave instructions for the mentioned garage to call for and store his car. Young carried out these orders, and the records of the garage show that the call was received at 1.18 a.m. and the car was called for by James Smoot, Coast Garage attendant, and stored.

Young shortly left his post of duty, and went out and got drunk. He cannot recall when he returned to his room at the hotel.

At approximately 8.45 a.m. Saturday, Karpis came down through the hotel lobby, walked north on Kentucky Avenue and returned about fifteen minutes later; he gave Grady Boney, the bell hop, a twenty dollar bill and requested Boney to get him shaving cream, Listerine, and one other unidentified article. Grady bought these articles at Dr. James V. Hewitt's Pharmacy at 105 S. Kentucky Avenue and took them to Karpis, who had waited in the lobby of the hotel. Karpis then went upstairs to his room. About nine-thirty o'clock Bill Morley found the note that Young had left for him and telephoned Karpis, who told him that he was the husband of the pregnant woman, and that he wanted to secure the services of a good doctor for her. At 10.30 a.m. Delaney and Burdett came down the elevator to the lobby and inquired of Grady Boney where they might get breakfast. He referred them to the Princeton Hotel on south Kentucky Avenue. They went out of the Danmor Hotel in the direction of the Princeton.

At 10.40 Morley called Dr. Carl Surran, who had delivered a child for Mrs. Morley in the summer of 1932, and who, incidentally, is the surgeon to the Police Department of Atlantic City. Surran came to the hotel within half an hour.

When Surran arrived Morley called Karpis, who said that he would send his wife down. Delaney came down in a few minutes and she and the doctor conferred in one of the first floor rooms for fifteen minutes. When the doctor left Delaney went upstairs. At 11.30 Karpis called Morley and asked Morley to come to room 403. Karpis and Campbell were present and after offering Morley a drink Karpis asked Morley where he could get a furnished apartment or house for \$75.00 a month in Atlantic City. Morley woke Dan Young, who sleeps in room 405, and called him in. The four discussed the house proposition and Karpis said that he might also keep the room at the hotel. Karpis also said he had a kennel of racing greyhounds at Miami and intended to move them to California and that Duke Randall had a good job with a dog race track at Biscayne, Florida. Karpis asked where he could buy clothes and Morley recommended Slotteroff's on Arctic Avenue. Young went back to his own room and the girls came from their room 400 into room 403. At Delaney's request Morley then brought up from downstairs his wife's coat for Delaney.

At noon Karpis came into the lobby and Morley sent him to Slotteroff's at Arctic and Virginia Avenues with William Haiges, a handy-man in Morley's cigar store, in Morley's Ford car. Karpis purchased a black or oxford gray overcoat, box shouldered, and two suits, one a banker's gray single breasted suit with narrow stripes and the other a double breasted oxford gray suit. The total cost of these was \$46.00 which Karpis paid with two twenty dollar bills and one ten dollar bill. The ten dollar bill was deposited in a bank by Slotteroff and it was impossible to trace this bill further.

All bills spent by subjects for purchases at Atlantic City were traced and the exact bills were recovered. On later examination it was found that none of the money recovered was among the listed ransom bills paid, consequently no information relative to the tracing of the bills is set out herein.

Karpis took the overcoat and agreed to call for the suits at five o'clock after necessary alterations had been made.

Karpis and Haiges then went to the office of Dr. Goldberg, Veterinarian, Virginia Avenue, to inquire about a post mortem which the doctor had made of a dog owned by Haiges. Haiges returned Karpis to the hotel, parked Morley's car, and returned to his home.

About 2.00 p.m. Burdette and Delaney appeared at the Lerner Shop, 1326 Atlantic Avenue, where Burdett purchased two dresses at \$6.95 each, one coat at \$14.95, and Delaney bought a coat at \$9.95. Mrs. B. Gordon, the clerk, received a \$50.00 bill in payment of these amounts. They re-appeared at the Danmor Hotel between three and four o'clock and Boney carried their packages for them to room 400. Between 3.00 and 3.30 p.m. Saturday, LeRoy Meade, day attendant at the Coast Garage, received a call from a man who requested him to have the Buick with the Florida license greased and washed. He further requested that the oil be changed and a Hades heater be installed and that the car be ready by Sunday.

That evening at nine o'clock Delaney and Burdett phoned downstairs to Young requesting that he get a taxi for them. Young sent Clinton (first name unknown) the utility man, for a cab. The driver took the girls to Lerner's Dress Shop 1326 Atlantic Avenue, where they purchased a night gown and a slip costing \$3.57 and paid for them with a \$5.00 bill. Delaney and Burdette then went to the haberdashery store of Edgar S. Hill, 133 Atlantic Avenue, where they purchased two bills of men's clothing, one of \$13.35 and the other of \$1.50. The first was paid for with two ten dollar bills and the second with a five dollar bill.

The women returned about 10.00 p.m. in a taxi cab, carrying two large manila shopping bags with rope handles, (contents unknown), although they appeared well filled, and went to their room. During the course of Saturday evening the men went to the London Shop, Marlborough-Elenheim Hotel, Boardwalk, and here Karpis purchased an overcoat. Agent Harzenstein examined a duplicate coat which was medium grey, single-breasted, camel hair, and bears a Worumbo label. This brand of coat is numbered serially, and from the numbers of the coats now on hand it was determined that the number of the coat purchased was somewhere between D-99220 and D-99239. The cost of the coat was \$50.00 and Karpis paid for it with a new fifty dollar bill which he took from a roll of about twelve fifties. He was then wearing a new suit and coat.

(It may be noted here that on examination of the clothing abandoned by the various subjects, it was discovered that the two overcoats purchased are missing, the pants to the bankers grey striped suit are missing and all pieces of the double breasted oxford grey suit are missing, these apparently being the clothes in which subjects made their escape. It will be noted that when Karpis and Campbell left Dr. Hunsicker at Guilford Center, Ohio, after their escape at Atlantic City, one of the men took Dr. Hunsicker's suit coat.)

At 2.30 o'clock on the morning of Sunday, January 20th, 1935, the Police Department received a broadcast teletype message which had originated in a radio cast from Jacksonville, Florida, and relayed through Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, reading as follows:

"GB 454 1-20-35 POLICE INFORMATION WANTED BY JACKSONVILLE FLORIDA POLICE ON A SERIOUS CRIMINAL CHARGE WHITE MAN FIVE FOOT TEN DARK COMPLEXION DARK HAIR DARK EYES VERY SLENDER BUILD ACCOMPANIED BY WOMAN WHO WILL BECOME MOTHER IN FEW DAYS DRIVING NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE BUICK SEDAN NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE FLORIDA LICENSE D5306 MOTOR 4949155 HE IS ARMED WITH 45 CALIBRE AUTOMATIC AND RIFLE REPORTED TO BE DANGEROUS USE EXTREME CAUTION IN APPREHENSION LEFT MIAMI WEDNESDAY JANUARY 16 NINETEEN THIRTY FIVE HEADED NORTH WANTED BY JACKSONVILLE FLORIDA POLICE ON A CRIMINAL CHARGE CONTACT ABOVE POLICE FOR CHARGES IF APPREHENDED RADIO WEST HARRISBURG PENNSYLVANIA 2.30 AM"

This information was given to each patrolman as they called in from their boxes. Officer Elias Saab called in at 3.25 a.m. from a box at Kentucky Avenue and the Boardwalk and was given the above information. He immediately went to the Coast Garage on Kentucky Avenue about 100 yards from the Boardwalk, and located the above described Buick. Saab called Captain Yates, who despatched Detectives Mulhern, Brennan and Witham to the Coast Garage; they inspected the car, determined from James Smoot, the night attendant, that the occupants or owners of the car were staying at the Danmor Hotel. A guard was placed over the car in the garage immediately.

Three of the officers went to the Hotel Danmor to learn the identity of the occupants of the car. It appears that they inquired of Roberts, the night bell boy, as to "a party" who had recently arrived from Florida. Roberts interpreted this to mean a man and woman and therefore was unable to assist them. Roberts then called Morley on the house phone; several minutes later Morley came down. The police inquired of Morley as to the identity of parties from Florida, either two men, or a man and a pregnant woman. Morley states that he felt that the matter merely involved an unmarried couple and only possible state charges that might have been brought against them on account of the girl's condition and he therefore felt sympathetic towards his guests and refused assistance. Also he did not want to create a disturbance in his hotel at that hour of the morning. Accordingly he gave as his excuse that he did not know who was registered at the hotel, that the business of the hotel was conducted almost entirely by his partner, Dan Young, who alone was familiar with

the registration of the guests and who exclusively knew the combination to the safe wherein were filed the registrations.

Apparently some time was consumed in these discussions in the lobby of the hotel and presently Mrs. Morley telephoned down from her room to tell her husband to come back to bed. This he did, informing her of the presence of the police officers and the purpose of their visit.

The police officers then renewed their questioning of Roberts and at about six o'clock in the morning Detective Witham took Roberts to police headquarters for further questioning. In a few minutes after arriving there Roberts apparently recalled having taken to their rooms Karpis and Campbell early the previous morning and that these guests were apparently from Florida.

Detective Witham immediately returned to the Danmor Hotel with Roberts where the other police officers had renewed their questioning of Morley.

In the meantime Mrs. Morley, having been so effectively aroused from her sleep when her husband was first called downstairs, could not return to it and dressed. She states that the thought of any of her guests being in trouble disturbed her and she particularly did not want a disturbance created in the hotel at that hour of the morning. She also states that she felt that when her husband returned from his first trip downstairs she discussed with him who might be wanted and they decided it must be one or both of the men (Karpis and Campbell) in room 403. Therefore she felt that she could and should go to her guests and tell them that "She had the law downstairs and that the law wanted somebody in her hotel" and that if they (Karpis and Campbell) were the men wanted, they should go downstairs and surrender themselves quietly.

She went to room 403 and tapped softly. Karpis came to the door clad only in long underwear. She beckoned to him to come outside, telling him that she wanted to see him. She then drew him down the corridor about ten feet to the adjoining room, 404, which is sometimes occupied by Dan Young, but which was vacant at the moment. She took him inside and told him that "the law was downstairs looking for someone from Florida who had gotten a girl in trouble" and that if he was guilty and the one they were looking for he should come down immediately and surrender himself and not make any disturbance. Karpis became thoroughly frightened and wanted to hide under the bed, but she refused to permit this. He then wanted to take a suit of clothes hanging in the room, but she likewise refused this and began pushing him towards the door.

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In the meantime three of the police officers had mounted to the third floor and had sent Roberts on ahead to knock on the door of 403, intending to rush the door when it was opened.

(Agents Note: It should be noted that the top of the stairway is directly opposite room 403. It should also be noted that the stairway is narrow and runs parallel with the hallway which is not over four feet wide. The top of the stairway is even with the entrance to room 403 and is about one fourth of the way back from the front end of the hall. At the immediate front of the hallway is the entrance to room 400. The stairway leads directly into the hallway and ascends into the hallway toward the rear."

Roberts started to ascend the stairway from the third floor but states that he saw a light flash so he turned and (apparently frightened) went downstairs. The police officers then went on to the fourth floor with drawn guns. One stood on either side of the door of room 403 while the third walked towards the rear and noticed that the door to room 404 was ajar. He pushed this door in and found a man (Karpis) in long underwear, being pushed to the door by Mrs. Morley. He drew the man out into the hallway where he (Karpis) stood shivering, facing the officer, who held his gun drawn.

The officer demanded to know the identity of Karpis, who apparently said nothing in reply. At this point Mrs. Morley intervened and stepped in between them and assured the officer that she would be able to persuade "the men in 403" to surrender without causing any disturbance to any of the guests.

(Agents Note: The police officers at this point were unaware that the man in long underwear was Karpis or the man they were seeking in room 403.)

Mrs. Morley rapped on the door of room 403 and then turned to Karpis and asked him the name of the party in room 403. Karpis gave some name which no one seems to remember. Mrs. Morley used the name given, calling on the occupants of room 403 to open the door. There was no reply from the room. Karpis then stepped forward and stated that he believed he would be able to get the party to open the door and called, using the name he had previously given to the party inside to open the door as he was coming in. (This name was apparently "George").

Campbell opened the door and Karpis jumped inside and locked the door.

(Agents Note: This was apparently the first the officers knew that the man in long underwear was one they were seeking.)

The officers then began pounding and kicking the door and calling on the persons inside to surrender. Mrs. Morley intervened and stated that she did not want the door broken and that she would open the door as she had pass keys with her. She inserted the key in the lock and started to open the door when it was jerked open violently and a gun blazed from the inside, the bullets breaking off the key in her hand, scattering the other keys about and ricocheting off the adjoining side wall. At that apparently one of the officers ran towards the front of the hallway, another to the rear of the hallway, while the third ran into the recently vacated room 404.

(Agents Note: This last officer claims that he emptied his gun, a 32 calibre Colt revolver in the direction of the doorway before leaving and that since his gun was empty he thought the wisest thing to do was to seek shelter. Thorough examination of the entire fourth floor failed to reveal where any of these shots might have struck and inspection of the officer's gun showed it had not been fired recently.)

A few more shots followed in quick succession, one directly out of the room and imbedded in the wall opposite the door, another to the front of the hallway passed through the wall of room 400 and through the calf of Dolores Delaney's leg, without fracturing any bones. Delaney was apparently standing before her dresser at the foot of her bed in room 400. The bullet imbedded itself in the further wall of her room, and on recovery proved to be 45 calibre steel jacketed. A fourth shot was fired at the detective fleeing down the hallway to the rear and who was seeking shelter behind a radiator; this bullet ricocheted off the side wall, hitting the radiator. That officer then ran to the stairway at the far rear, at which point Karpis or Campbell directed another shot which ricocheted off the carpet and imbedded itself in the door jamb of room 408. Two of these slugs have been recovered by agents; they are 45 calibre.

The officer at the front of the hallway states that he fired at the Subjects but no evidence of the shots have been discovered. The officer at the rear admits firing one shot from the rear stairway

before descending. This was a 32 calibre slug and struck the ceiling outside room 406, passing through the open transom of that room and the slug was recovered.

It appears that DeLaney and Burdett then came out of Room 400 and followed Karpis and Campbell down the hallway to the rear. The officer who had been there after finding that the front stairway on the third floor was not being covered and believing himself to be cornered by attack from both the third floor front and the fourth floor rear, had already descended the rear stairs and gone to the front office on the first floor where he found one of the other two officers. The rear stairway was therefore completely unguarded and the four subjects apparently descended that stairway and escaped from the rear of the building on the first floor.

This exit leads into Westminster Avenue, otherwise known as Snake Alley. By following this and another alley, Karpis and Campbell emerged on south Kentucky Avenue directly opposite the Coast Garage, where their car had been stored.

In the meantime, two officers in the hotel lobby returned to the fourth floor by the rear stairway and found no one in rooms 400 or 403. Other officers were apparently in the street in front of the hotel by this time.

Karpis and Campbell evidently got somewhat ahead of DeLaney and Burdett in leaving the hotel with the result that by the time the girls made their exit into Westminster Avenue, Karpis and Campbell were out of sight around one of the numerous turns. After waiting a few minutes in indecision and in the cold they walked around the hotel to the front into the hotel and went back to their room. They were clad only in their negligees and their coats and the right leg of DeLaney was bleeding profusely.

Karpis and Campbell, on approaching the Coast Garage, noticed police guards nearby and fired several shots at them. Then while one of them stood guard at the door of the garage, the other went into the garage and took the first handy car. This was a 1935 Pontiac coach, motor #1039382, serial #887386, bearing N.J. license plates A-3073. This car is the property of Mrs. Elsie Brand, 44 S. Plaza Place, Atlantic City, N.J. It is pea green in color, has a metal tire cover, and no spare tire. It is a five passenger two door model, about five weeks old, and when stolen, the gas tank was approximately one-half full. The car is insured with full coverage by Agent Harry Gotschall, Guaranty Trust Building, Atlantic City.

At the present time it is debatable whether Karpis and Campbell were unfamiliar with the streets and circled the block, blindly trying to make their getaway from the scene, or whether they were very familiar with the streets and alleys and were trying to pick up their feminine companions.

In any event, on leaving the garage they at first swung to the right toward the boardwalk, stopped suddenly, when they found it was a blind street, backed into the garage, and turned north on Kentucky Avenue, passed the Danmore Hotel, to Pacific Avenue, turning right one block to New York Avenue where they turned right toward the boardwalk at which New York Avenue ends. The car turned to the right off New York Avenue into Westminster Avenue, the entrance of which is about one hundred feet from the boardwalk. The car followed the various turns through Westminster Avenue, emerging on Kentucky Avenue at a point about fifty feet north of the Danmore Hotel. Here they swung to the right, stopped short when police officers standing at Pacific and Kentucky Avenues opened fire, backed into Westminster Alley, and turned to the left, going south on Kentucky Avenue, passing the front of the hotel. Driving south on Kentucky Avenue, they turned right on Mount Vernon Avenue, a narrow alley-like street running off Kentucky Avenue, just north of the Coast Garage. After making one right turn on Mount Vernon Avenue and travelling one block north the car emerged on Pacific Avenue where it turned to the left and sped westward. This is the last place that any of the officers saw the fugitive car. During the course of this route, various police officers fired on the car. As appeared after its recovery, it was struck four times, as described later. (Agent's Note: A rough pencil drawing of the fourth floor of the hotel hallway and rooms and of the route taken by fugitives' car has been made by agent and is being placed in the Philadelphia Office file).

To return to the hotel, when DeLaney and Burdett re-entered, Dr. Surran was called by Mrs. Morley to administer aid to DeLaney. Shortly thereafter, they were taken into custody by the police and DeLaney removed to the Atlantic City Hospital where x-ray examination proved no bones had been fractured as a result of the bullet wound.

Following the arrival of agents, Burdett and DeLaney were questioned and it was established that their companions were Subjects Karpis and Campbell. On the afternoon of January 20, 1935, they signed waivers of removal and after Doctor Surran and Doctor J. H. Mason had examined DeLaney, x-rayed her wound, and certified she could withstand travel, these two subjects were removed by agents to Philadelphia for questioning.

The statements of the doctors and the signed waivers of removal are being retained in the Philadelphia Office file.

These girls were questioned at various times by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and Special Agent in Charge R. G. Harvey, and by Agents Griffin, Fay, and Kage. The following miscellaneous information was obtained from them.

DeLaney was in Havana, Cuba, with Karpis and Barker recently, stopping at the Hotel Parkview, apparently travelling via the P. & O. Steamship Company boats. She refused to divulge the locality and any further information, other than that she knew the identity of the man she was travelling with, and knew they were wanted by the Federal Government on a criminal charge. She states Karpis is the father of the expected child. Her statement appears set out later in this report.

Wynona Burdett furnished the following signed statement, setting out her activities since her apprehension at Cleveland, Ohio, as reported on page 36 of the report of reference of Special Agent R. D. Brown.

Philadelphia, Pa.
January 20, 1935.

"I, Wynona Burdett, freely and voluntarily make the following statement to A. R. Miller, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, without any threats or promises being made to me and knowing that the same will be used in the courts against me.

"My name is Wynona Burdett. I am 21 years of age. My parents are dead and when I am home I stay with my sisters Jimmie and Eunice Burdett on South Elm Street, Ponca City, Oklahoma. After I was released by the Division Agents in Chicago, Mrs. Sawyer, Paula Harmon and myself went to Cleveland, Ohio, and got out personal effects from the lawyer there. Paula went to Beaumont, Texas from Cleveland and I accompanied Mrs. Sawyer to St. Paul where I stayed at her friend's home whose name I do not remember. Mrs. Sawyer gave me \$100 and Paula Harmon had given me \$100. I took a train for Tulsa, Oklahoma, and I stayed with my sister Ruth Whinnery on East Second St. one night and then I went to Hominy, Okla. and stayed one night with another sister Esther Wilson and then I went to Ponca City and started living with my other two sisters Jimmie and Eunice. I lived with them approximately six weeks or two months and started to work at the Radio Station W.B.B.Z. at Ponca City as an entertainer.

"During the time I was on Ponca I received no word or communication from Harry Campbell by letter or otherwise until one evening a few days before Thanksgiving Day Harry Campbell came to my sister's home and I decided to go away with him again. Harry was driving a 1934 Ford Sedan and it had

Florida license plates on it the numbers now being unknown to me. We drove to Oklawaha Lake, Fla., where Fred Barker and his mother Kate Barker had a large house there on the lake. Harry and I lived here with Kate and Fred Barker until about January 13, when we left in Harry's Ford, each of us taking a suit-case for the purpose of visiting Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney who were living in a house in Miami, Fla. During the time we lived in Oklawaha I saw Doc Barker there only once and that was New Year's Day 1935. Slim Gray was with him. They stayed all day New Year's and left that night. They were alone. Harry and I left Sunday the 13th and got in Miami, Fla. that night. I did not know the address where Karpis and Dolores lived but Harry knew it. We stayed there Sunday night and Monday night, Tuesday and Wednesday the 16th. We heard about the shooting at Oklawaha on Wednesday morning over the radio. Dolores and I were at home alone on Wednesday A.M. and Harry and Karpis were out fishing some place. They got in about 7:00 P.M. that evening. We told Harry and Karpis about the shooting and we started making plans to leave Miami. They both went out that night. We made plans for Dolores and I to go to Atlantic City on the train and Harry and Karpis were to drive up and meet us. Harry and Karpis told Dolores and I to register at the Danmore Hotel and ask for a Mr. Morley at this hotel. Harry and Karpis left Wednesday night the 16th, driving for Atlantic City, and were to meet them at the hotel where we would register under the name of Mrs. Graham and sister. They boys did not tell us under what name they were going to register at the hotel. I do not know what Harry did with his Ford car because they came to Atlantic City in Karpis' Buick. We came to Philadelphia, Pa. by train and then transferred to another train for Atlantic City. We arrived in Atlantic City on Friday, January 19th, at about 2 P.M. and registered at the Danmore Hotel and received room 400. I was not present when Dolores talked to either Mr. or Mrs. Morley and do not know what arrangements were made by her with them.

"Karpis and Campbell got in Saturday morning about 1:00 A.M. and they came to our room. They told us the next morning that they were occupying room 403. Dolores and I did some shopping Saturday morning. We went to bed Saturday night, I sleeping in room 403 with Harry and Karpis staying in room 400 with Dolores. I was in room 403 when I was awakened by Harry who was walking around the room. It was some time before 6 o'clock in the morning because Harry acted sort of peculiar at this time like he was having a nightmare. I ran out of 403 and down the hall to 400. I thought I saw a woman on the 3rd floor and I heard voices and I thought it was the officers coming. I knocked on the door at 400 and yelled at him and I said something was wrong and that the cops were coming. He opened the door and ran out of 400 in his underwear

and went into room 403. The hall was lighted and I stayed by the door of my room and watched. I saw after a while Karpis in his underwear headed for our room on the run and the cops who were in the hall were shooting at him. I did not see any gun in his hand when he ran toward our room. He almost pushed me over getting into the room. He grabbed his trousers put them on and then ran back down the hall away from our door. I saw both Harry and Karpis disappear down the steps at the other end of the hall. This was the last time I saw either of them. Dolores was hit by one of the bullets fired by the police as I did not see Harry or Alvin shoot at anyone. I do not recall hearing over three shots although there might have been more fired. Dolores and I put on our coats immediately after this and started down the hall in the same direction in which the boys had run. We were in our bare feet with nothing on under our coats but our night gowns. We ran down the steps and out into the street and up the alley. The alley was full of water and gravel and finally Dolores who had been shot in the leg and who was also about ready to give birth to a child said she was getting weak so I said let's go back to the hotel. We then went on back to the hotel to room 400. Dolores went to bed and I dressed. Mrs. Morley had called the doctor and he came soon after. The officers were also there as soon as the doctor arrived. Dolores was taken to the hospital and I was taken to the City Jail. I want to add that after Dolores and I came down the steps and out of the hotel in trying to make our escape there was a lot of shooting around the corner from us.

"I have known Harry Campbell for about four years. I knew that both he and Alvin Karpis were badly wanted by the Federal Government for crimes charged against them particularly the Bremer kidnaping at St. Paul, Minn. I was conscious of this when I lived with Harry Campbell in Florida and also conscious of it when I agreed to meet him and Alvin Karpis at Atlantic City, N.J., having been advised of the fact by the Chicago Office of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, to which organization I previously made a statement concerning my knowledge of the activities of the so-called Karpis-Barker gang. With this knowledge I knowingly told Alvin Karpis that the cops were after him in Atlantic City, N.J. on Sunday morning, January 20, 1935. At the time of my arrest I had two \$50 bills in my possession which Harry had given me. At the time of Harry's escape I believe he had \$500. I do not know how much money Karpis had.

"I have read this statement consisting of three typewritten pages and the same is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief."

Witnesses:
 Wynona Burdett (Signed)
 R. Whitley, Special Agent, Divn. of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice,
 A. R. Miller, Special Agent, " " " " " " " "
 H. A. Thompson, Special Agent " " " " " " " "

On January 21, 1935, Wynona Hurdett was interviewed in the presence of Special Agent J. L. Madala by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and she advised that Harry Campbell purchased the Ford sedan, black, with black wheels, sometime during the latter part of 1934 at Gainesville, Florida, under the name of G. L. Summers; that he, at first, had 1934 tags and later obtained 1935 Florida tags. Wynona further stated that when Campbell picked her up several nights before Thanksgiving, 1934, he was driving the Ford sedan that he obtained at Gainesville; that the sister referred to as Jimmie, was previously married to a man named Rose and has a nine year old girl; that Campbell came to the door and she went out with him; that Campbell indicated he had followed her from Harmony, Oklahoma, where she had gone to visit on this date; that she told her sister she was going riding with a party, not mentioning who it was; that she then left with Campbell and never returned; that she had been going with a fellow at Ponca City named Harem, alias Hi Rafenberger, who owns the Public Market there, a married man. Wynona stated that Campbell and she left Ponca City at 10:15 that night and drove along side roads and finally slept out that night near Oklahoma City; that they left about the Sunday or Monday before Thanksgiving; that they then drove towards Oklahoma City, taking Highway #1 to Texas; that Campbell did not persuade her to go; that he asked if she wanted to go, otherwise it would have to be good-bye; that he asked her if she had made a statement when held by the Government and she advised she had. He then said that it would only hurt her and said: "You have got yourself into trouble".

Wynona advised: "I knew Fred was down there as he said we were going down there," referring to Florida; that "I did not see anybody but Fred and his mother"; that later she saw Shorty (referring to Doc Barker) and Slim (referring to Russell G. Gibson), on New Year's Day at Oklawaha, Florida. She said she told Harry she did not want to live with Fred and his mother; that she wanted to get a place for themselves; that Fred was very agreeable to her; that on the way down they stopped at various tourists' camps, going through Dallas but did not go through Beaumont, Texas; that they went through Alabama; that it took them about five days to get to Florida; that Harry knew where to go when they reached Oklawaha; that they slept in the back rear room of the house at Oklawaha

and Mrs. Barker slept in the front room beyond them; that Campbell did not say where he had been since separating at Cleveland, Ohio, in September; that the only parties at Oklawaha, when they arrived, were Kate and Fred, and herself and Campbell, whom she refers to as George; that they remained there until January 13, 1935, her birthday, when they drove to Miami, Florida; that they made one short trip to Orlando, that is she and Kate Barker drove down in the Buick coupe; that they also made several short trips like this in the Ford; that Doc and Slim came in New Year's Day and were driving the Ford automobile; that they stayed overnight and left the next day. While there, they slept in the back rear room next to Wynona; that Alvin Karpis, whom she knew as Ray, came to the place at Oklawaha sometime before Christmas; that she believes he had a Buick automobile; that he came late at night and left the next morning and that she sent some baby clothes down with him for Dolores; that she and Harry left Sunday, January 13, 1935; that until this time, as far as she knew, no one at Oklawaha knew of Slim Grey being killed in Chicago on January 8, 1935, as she read of this in the Sunday Chicago paper after reaching Miami; that Freddy Barker asked her about Paula Harmon; that he apparently wanted to go back to her; that he indicated he had heard she had gone home; that Paula gave her \$100 at Cleveland and Gladys Sawyer gave her \$75; that she saw Paula in Cleveland, Ohio, when obtaining clothing there; that she and Gladys then went to St. Paul where they went to some woman's house known to Gladys.

Wynona advised that she and Kate Barker went to the Ford Motor Company at Ocala, Florida, to have the car serviced and they tried to make a trade with her for another automobile; that she heard no mention made of Kate Barker trading a diamond ring and a race horse for a Ford coupe; that she never heard of her having a race horse; she insisted that New Year's Day was the first she ever saw Russell Gibson, alias Slim; that she met Doc Barker before this; that she does not remember meeting Slim in Toledo; that she has no idea where Harry Campbell might proceed or how she could contact him, indicating they were supposed to go back to Oklawaha Tuesday night, January 15, 1935 but she persuaded Campbell to stay over at least another day; that January 13, when they arrived at Miami was the first she had seen Dolores since separating in Cleveland; that Alvin Karpis spoke to her but made no mention of having been held by the Government; that she went shopping with Dolores on Monday and on Tuesday they were at home and Harry and Alvin

were fishing; that they heard the report of the shooting with the Bremer kidnapers at Oklawaha over the radio; that Fred and Ma Barker had been killed. She stated that Harry and Ray came back that night about 7:00 P.M.

She indicated that on one occasion at Oklawaha the game warden had come out to talk with Fred about a report he had shot more deer than he was entitled to; that on one occasion she and Ma Barker went with Fred and Harry Campbell to shoot deer about three o'clock in the morning; that they stayed at camp while the boys went out to shoot and got one deer.

Wynona advised that the boys came home on January 16, 1935 about 7:00 or 7:30 P.M.; that they told him Fred and his mother had been shot. The only remark they made was "What - where, and when" and did not believe it. They both then left right away and advised they would get in touch with the girls at the Danmore Hotel in Atlantic City, N.J.; that she saw Dolores with a piece of paper with "Morley" on it; that they left the next morning at 11:00 A.M., on the train for Atlantic City; that she had \$200 which Harry had given her at Oklawaha; that Dolores bought the tickets; that she spent \$100 for winter clothes in Atlantic City; that they were arranging to obtain an apartment in Atlantic City; that the boys stayed around the hotel except to go for a hair cut and shave on Saturday.

Wynona advised that she did not notice any scars on Karpis' face, as previously indicated, which scars were supposed to have resulted from an operation performed on him by Dr. Moran; that the picture we have on strip photographs does not look like Karpis; that neither does the picture thereon look much like Campbell. She advised she has heard nothing of Volney Davis, or Weaver. She said the boys said something about Willie, referring to Willie Harrison, but she does not know where he is supposed to be working; that no mention was made as to how they knew Joe Adams or Duke Randall; that Harry advised her he tried to get her out when she was being held by the Government; that the boys told her they heard over the radio on the way up from Florida that Doc Barker had been picked up; that they did not believe Doc had talked; that possibly they found the address at Oklawaha on some paper in his possession; that she had seen in the paper where Slim Grey, his wife, and two other women had been picked up; that on the day Harry Campbell picked her up at Ponca City she had been visiting at Harmony

with her sister Esther Wilson, having been driven down there by Hi, who also drove her back to Ponca City; that about thirty minutes after Hi left her at Ponca City, Harry appeared at the door; that Harry had advised her he had been running around with a girl who works at the Silver Slipper at Miami; that he confided this to her when she had told him she had also been cheating since he had left.

While being questioned by Special Agent M. L. Small, Dolores DeLaney stated she was 19 years of age, rather than 22, the age given at the time she was arrested. She stated her next birthday will be July 20, 1935. She claims to have two sisters and one brother; that her parents are now separated; that she believes her mother is living with her sister, Mrs. M. Riley at 365 Maria Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

She was questioned on numerous occasions in connection with the identity of doctors who had treated Karpis for the gonorrhea condition and each time insisted that Doc Moran had treated Karpis in Cleveland but that she knows of the names of no doctors who treated him while he was in Florida or elsewhere. She is much concerned about the expected child and she believes her mother, Mrs. Helen DeLaney, will take care of it for her.

A letter was received by the United States Attorney at Philadelphia, from Mr. George B. Holmes, an attorney in the office of Holmes and Locke, and Holmes, 30 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, transmitting a letter, written on the stationery of this law firm by John Karpavicz, who is allegedly the father of Alvin Karpis, and gives his address as 2842 N. Francisco Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, telephone - Belmont 7899. Mr. Karpavicz states that he is the father of Alvin Karpis and is much interested in the baby which Louise Graham, or Dolores DeLaney, is about to give birth to, stating he would be glad to take the baby and keep it if its mother is not allowed to. He also offered to take care of both DeLaney and the baby. This letter was transmitted to Special Agent in Charge J. E. Connelley at Chicago by letter dated January 26, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, at Miami, Florida, telephonically informed the Philadelphia Office on January 22, 1935, that four complaints had been filed and warrants issued, two each for Burdett and DeLaney; one each charging each girl with harboring Karpis, and one each charging each with harboring Campbell. It was indicated that a charge would have to be made, however, against the girls for harboring Karpis inasmuch as he was the one who had been indicted in St. Paul. This warrant charges that on or about January 18, 1935, at Miami, Dade County, Florida, Dolores DeLaney, alias S. A. Green, alias L. C. Wood, in violation of Section 141 of the U.S.C.C., had unlaw-

fully harbored and concealed one Alvin Karpis, a person for whose arrest a warrant or process had then and there been issued under the provision of the laws of the United States so as to prevent the discovery and arrest of him, the said Alvin Karpis, then and there well knowing that such warrant or process had then and there been issued for the apprehension of the said Alvin Karpis.

The United States Attorney in Miami indicated he desired a \$50,000 bond for each of these women, returnable April 4, 1935.

Fugitive complaints were filed by Special Agent in Charge R. G. Harvey with United States Commissioner William Wacker at Philadelphia, on January 23, 1935.

Hearing was held for Wynona Burdett on January 24, 1935. She was held under \$50,000 bail, returnable at Miami, Florida, April 4, 1935, and was committed to Moyamensing Prison, Philadelphia, to await removal.

On the same date a hearing was held at Hahnemann Hospital, since it was inadvisable to move Dolores DeLaney because of her pregnant condition. She was, likewise, held under \$50,000 bail, returnable April 4, 1935. Guards were stationed by her by the United States Marshal at Philadelphia. The attending physician at Hahnemann Hospital informed that he expects the birth of the child between February 1, and 5.

The St. Paul Office was requested by wire to send certified copies of the indictment and capias against Karpis to the United States Attorney at Philadelphia, and to the United States Attorney at Jacksonville.

By letter dated January 21, 1935, photographs of Wynona Burdett and duplicate fingerprints of Burdett and DeLaney were forwarded to the Division. There are being forwarded to the Division with copies of this report two pictures of Dolores DeLaney. Copies of pictures of DeLaney and Burdett are being retained in the file of the Philadelphia Office. Copies of the pictures of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell were obtained from Special Agent in Charge Connelley and are being retained in the Philadelphia Office file.

About 12:30 on the morning of January 21, an unknown feminine voice telephoned from Miami, Florida, to Atlantic City #4-9732, a pay station at Morley's Cigar Store, and asked Sam Morley: "Is this Morley's?". She asked if there had been a shooting in Atlantic City. The feminine voice stated she was a friend of Duke. Morley replied there had been a shooting there and the woman then asked how the boys made out. Morley replied the men got away but the girls were caught and

taken to Philadelphia. The woman then remarked: "Oh, Oh!" and hung up. An attempt was made through the Atlantic City Traffic Manager of the Bell Telephone Company to trace this call but it was reported that the Chief Operator at Miami had been unable to find a call made from Miami to this number. The Philadelphia Office was immediately informed of the fact relative to this telephone call so that the Jacksonville Office might be immediately advised.

On January 22, 1935, in a telephone conversation between Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, while at the Philadelphia Office, and Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, at Miami, Florida, Hanson was advised of the above telephone call. In a later conversation on this date Special Agent in Charge Hanson indicated that Duke Randall, who had been taken into custody, had admitted making this call, stating he had a girl make the call for him in order to determine what had occurred at Atlantic City in connection with the shooting on Sunday morning, January 20, 1935; that Duke Randall had indicated he had tried to get in touch with Joe Adams and, not being able to do so, had then communicated to determine what the circumstances were.

He also indicated that Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney had rented a place from Grace Thomas at 1121 N. E. 85th Street, Miami, Florida, which is the place they were occupying at the time they received news of the shooting at Oklawaha, Florida; that it was indicated that Joe Adams had arranged the rental of this place for them and he had been out to the house. He also advised that Duke Randall had indicated, on either Tuesday or Wednesday night of the week of January 14, Wynona Burdett had come to the race track and advised that Morrison, the name under which he knew Karpis, wanted to see him; that after the races were over at the dog track he had talked to Karpis and requested him to obtain \$1200 from Adams, which he was to deliver to Wynona and Dolores the following day, retaining \$200 for himself; that Wynona and Dolores came to the TaMiami Hotel and got the \$1,000 after he, Duke Randall, had obtained it from Joe Adams; that he was only able to obtain the \$1,000 and therefore did not receive the \$200 promised him. Duke Randall indicated that on this occasion he had been called to the office of Joe Adams at the El Comodoro Hotel, at which time he was introduced to Karpis, as Morrison, by Joe Adams. Mr. Hanson indicated that he recovered the Ford coupe, used in the getaway by Karpis from Cleveland in September, 1934; that they also had the notation, found at Oklawaha, indicating that G. F. Summers had purchased another Ford from the Dade Motor Company at Miami; also that one Paul Green, a gambler, had telephoned to Mr. Tolson, of the Division, January 22, stating

he had information on Karpis. This party advised he was associating with three other gamblers and one of the partners had been killed; that they had information through a local boy who came from Atlantic City; that three parties, Finkelstein, Frank Zachrino, and Cutlow, alias Cutty, stated they were coming to Miami to take over the gambling racket and, if necessary, kill those opposing them; that he believed these three indicated parties are well known in Philadelphia, New York, and Atlantic City (Special Agent McDewitt, of the Philadelphia Office made inquiry of the Philadelphia Police 1-22-35 and it was indicated these three parties are unknown to the local police officials here).

Special Agent in Charge J. E. Hanson indicated they were withholding Duke Randall but had not yet picked up Joe Adams.

Mr. Tamm, of the Division, telephoned January 23, 1935, and indicated that the automobile stolen from Dr. E. H. Hunsicker, at Allentown, Pa., had been abandoned January 23, twelve or fourteen miles from Toledo, that is between Toledo and Monroe, with the motor still running.

At this time the possibility of prosecuting Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdett was discussed and it was indicated that possibly the best prosecution could be obtained in Florida in order that we could, if sufficient information is developed, include in one indictment charging conspiracy to harbor Karpis, who was indicted in St. Paul with the two girls indicated, Joe Adams, Duke Randall, and Carson Bradford, the latter being the party whose house was occupied by Fred Barker and Kate Barker at Oklawaha, Florida.

The Buick sedan abandoned by Subjects Karpis and Campbell, and found at the Coast Garage in Atlantic City, was removed to the Atlantic City Police Headquarters where it was checked and found to be a 1935 model, two door black Buick coach. At the time the motor and serial numbers were checked, it was found to have motor number 42949155 and serial #2783525. At that time it was not noticed that this motor number varied from the motor number in the wire from the Division relative to the apprehension of these parties. Agent telephonically requested Special Agent H. C. Schroeder, who was stationed at Atlantic City, to again check the motor number of the Buick sedan and he, likewise, found the motor number to be 42949155. No explanation can be made for this discrepancy but Agent Schroeder stated it may be possible that one or two of the numerals on the motor block might have been added to the original motor number. The car is of series 48, style 35-4411, body #354, trim #201, Paint #400. It bore 1935 Florida license plate D-5306. It has black military wheels, built in trunk in the rear, and has a rear tire carrier with a metal tire cover.

Chief of Police James McEnimen refused to turn the Buick over to agents. As a result, Special Agent in Charge R. G. Harvey informed that after a telephonic conversation with Assistant United States Attorney Arrowsmith at Trenton, N.J., it was decided that the latter would petition the Federal Court at Trenton for the execution of an Order by that Court, addressed to the Atlantic City Police Department, to turn this car over to the Division.

The speedometer mileage at the time the car was stored in the police garage at Atlantic City was 4437.6 miles. Pictures of the car were taken by the Atlantic City Police, one copy is being forwarded to the Division with copies of this report, and the other copies are being retained in the Philadelphia Office file. Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson indicated that the Buick sedan, recovered in Atlantic City, January 20, 1935, had been purchased by Duke Randall for Karpis, under the name of LeRoy Morrison, from the Ungar Buick Company, Miami, Florida, through Salesman Bishop.

Special Agent in Charge Hanson further informed by telephone that they had recovered the Ford sedan left by Karpis and Campbell with Duke Randall and it had been learned that the Ford coupe had been traded in at the time of the purchase of this car by Randall for Campbell.

In the Buick sedan in the compartment on the dash was found a .22 calibre long barrel Molt automatic pistol, Woodsmen's model, with partridge sights #93719; under the felt padding beneath the rear seat in the same car was found another gun, .22 calibre, Winchester model 03, automatic rifle #124138.

In Room 403 the police officers who examined the place immediately following the evacuation by Karpis and Campbell, stated they found no arms. However another officer, who later examined the room, turned over to agents during the evening of Sunday, January 20, 1935, another gun which he stated he found between the mattress and springs of the bed. This gun is model 1886, .32 or .33 calibre Winchester rifle, lever action. On the barrel appears the figures "33 W.C.F."; near the trigger on the metal part of the stock appears the figure "32". This gun is #154112 A. A letter was transmitted to the New York Office, dated 1-25-35, requesting that these guns be traced at the Winchester and Colt Manufacturing Companies at New Haven and Hartford, Connecticut, respectively.

Numerous articles of clothing and baggage were left behind by fugitives. These were completely inventoried by agents of the Philadelphia Office, to which all abandoned property, with the exception of the Buick car, has been removed. The clothing and personal effects of Subjects Burdett and Delaney were turned over to the United States Marshal at Philadelphia

after the release of these subjects into their custody. Each girl had two fifty dollar bills and other small miscellaneous silver and considerable jewelry of some value. The two fifty dollar bills in the possession of Wynona Burdett were as follows:

\$50 note of the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, Virginia,
#E006 19000 A
\$50 note of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia
#C00 537073 A

The two fifty dollar notes in the possession of Dolores Delaney were as follows:

\$50 note of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York
#B C2953558 A
\$50 note of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Georgia,
#500344719 A.

Investigation revealed that William Morley is evidently a small time gambler. In addition to his half interest in the Danmore Hotel he is the proprietor of the cigar store across the street from the hotel. At this latter establishment he accepts bets on horse races and on the numbers racket. He engages in miscellaneous other petty forms of gambling.

Morley's wife, Elizabeth, does not appear to be gifted with a pretentious amount of intelligence. She aids her husband in the clerical duties pertaining to his enterprises and the result of her questioning by agents seems to indicate she was motivated by a desire to avoid unwanted disturbance in her hotel in going to Karpis in a misguided endeavor to persuade him to surrender peacefully when she learned he might be someone for whom the police were looking on what she thought to be a charge involving morals. She is quite ostensibly religious.

Daniel Young, a partner of William Morley, and half owner of the Danmore Hotel, appears to be like Morley, a small time gambler. He attends to the operation of the hotel practically exclusively; with his partner, he also operates the numbers racket. In this racket Morley is the agent booking for him in the cigar store. Young's present partners in the numbers racket are Anthony Macrie and Benjamin Ravinsky. Their pooled capital is allegedly \$10,000. Former partners of Young in this activity were Harry Eldridge and Anthony Gelona.

Samuel Morley is a brother of William Morley who appears to have no independent source of income. He attends to the operation of his brother's cigar store and the placing of horse and numbers bets, apparently receiving nothing more than his keep.

William Morley and Dan Young acquired the Danmore Hotel in May, 1934, and have been operating it on a fifty-fifty basis since Decoration Day. The hotel is a four story frame structure with a brick and stone front. It is a fourth rate hotel, very typical of this type in Atlantic City, catering apparently to respectable people of moderate means. It has forty rooms.

The statements of Owen Roberts, bell hop at the Danmore Hotel, Daniel Young, part owner, and Mrs. Morley, and Mr. Samuel Morley are being retained in the Philadelphia Office file and are not set out herein as the general substance of their statements of the events as they occurred is set out above.

The statement of William Morley is set out here as it appears it may be the basis for questioning Duke Randall at Miami, Florida.

"January 21, 1935.

"I, William A. Morley, make the following statement to C. K. Fierstone and H. S. Harzenstein, knowing them both to be Special Agents of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, of my own free will, without any threats or promises having been made to me, and knowing that it may be used against me.

"I live at the Danmore Hotel, #123 So. Kentucky Ave., Atlantic City, N.J., of which I am part owner and partner. I also own a cigar store across the street from the hotel at #126 So. Kentucky Ave.

"On last Friday, January 18, 1935, at about 3 PM, I was in the back room of my store, and was called to the front of the store by my wife. There was a woman in the store, who gave me a note, addressed to me. It was written on the stationery of the Tamiami Hotel, Miami, Florida, so far as I can recall, in green ink. I do not remember any date on this. I think the message said, "Dear Bill: Take care of my friend Mrs. Graham, and see that she gets a good doctor, and gets good care." It was signed, "Duke". The girl

who was pregnant, asked whether her husband had arrived, and, when I said I did not know, remarked that he would be there soon. I asked whether she wanted the doctor right away, and she said that the morning would do.

"I did not see this girl or the other again that day. Next morning, when I came down, I found a note on the desk for me from my partner, Daniel Young, who had been on the desk the day before. It said, as I recall, "Bill: call Mr. Carson, Room #403," and was signed, "Dan". I surmised that the husband that the girl had been expecting had arrived, and called the room. This was about 9 AM. There was no answer. I then called Dr. Carl Surram, according to the girl's request the day before. The doctor arrived about a half hour later, and I called #403, asked for Mr. Carson, and told him the doctor was there, if he cared to talk to him. He said he would send his wife down. Soon after that, the pregnant woman came down into the lobby and my wife and I showed her and the doctor into one of the rooms on the first floor, where we left them. The doctor stayed ten or fifteen minutes. He then left, and the woman went upstairs. Soon after, perhaps 10.30 AM, I received a call from #403, asking me to come up. When I arrived, I was offered a drink from a bottle which stood on the bureau - which I refused. I think this was a pint bottle of G & W rye whiskey. The man whom I took to be Carson, then asked me if I knew where he could rent a house, as his wife would soon give birth. He wanted a place in a good residential section, for about \$75 per month. I called Daniel Young, who was asleep in his room, #405, and the four of us discussed the house proposition. Dan suggested that they stay at the hotel, and we would make them comfortable, and he said that he would keep the room at the hotel anyhow, in case he wanted to do a little cheating. The man whom I thought to be Carson was the taller of the two and wore rimless glasses. I have been shown the picture of Alvin Karpis on Identification Order #1218, and identify this as the man whom I knew as Mr. Carson, although I think Carson's hair was a light brown, almost blonde.

"(At this point I wish to correct something I said earlier in this statement. I said that Carson did not answer the phone when I rang him at about 9 AM. I now recall that he did answer the phone, and came down to the lobby at once.

"He told me that he was the husband of the woman that was pregnant, and wanted me to get a doctor for her. He also mentioned the fact that he knew Duke. The Duke we both meant, and the only man I know by that name is Duke Randall. He used to be a drummer, and played in various bands around Atlantic City for several summers. I have known him casually for several years, and he has sent me other customers, all of which seemed perfectly respectable and gave me no cause for alarm. Randall stayed at my hotel for a couple of days last summer, and again for a few days about two months ago, when he was in town, working on the New Yorker Restaurant construction job, as an ironworker or lather. When he left town the last time, he told that he was going to Miami, Florida, to work at a dog track - I think Biscayne).

"So far as I can recall, neither Dan nor I suggested the name of any real estate dealer in town. Carson said that he had a kennel of racing greyhounds in Miami, Florida, that business there was good, and that he was going to move them to California. I asked after Duke, and he said that Duke was all right and had a good job at Miami at the dog track, and I think that he mentioned Biscayne. He looked tanned, as though he had been in the South for some time. I did not believe that he was actually the husband of the pregnant woman, but thought that he had gotten the girl into trouble and was protecting himself and her by taking her away to have her baby. Carson asked where he could buy some clothes for himself and I recommended the places on Arctic Ave., between Kentucky and Virginia, mentioning Slotteroff's, at Tennessee and Arctic. During the course of the conversation, the two women came in. My wife had previously told me that she had offered her coat to the pregnant woman, and I asked her whether she wanted it. She did, so I went downstairs and got it for her, bringing it upstairs and leaving it for her on the bed of #403. I was in the room for only a few minutes, and during that time, Carson did not drink, although Cameron took three or four drinks in quick succession, and mentioned that he liked that particular whiskey.

"About noon that day, Carson came down to the lobby and over to the desk, where I was. At that time William Haggis, a white man, who works for me in the cigar store, as board man for the horse game I run, came over to take my car. He wanted to go to the animal hospital on North Virginia Ave., and I suggested that he take Carson to get some clothes. He suggested the Slotteroff's store on Arctic and Virginia Aves., and I believe that he took Carson there and that he bought some clothes there. I saw nothing more either of the men or the women that day.

"I went to bed at about 2 AM on Sunday, January 20, 1935. At about 3.30 AM, I was awakened by a phone call from Owen Roberts the colored man who is night bell boy. He told me to come down, as there were some detectives in the lobby. I told this to my wife, put on my robe, and went down. I suspected in my own mind whom the detectives wanted, but I had no idea that they were wanted for so serious an offense. The detectives said they wanted two men who had come from Florida. I asked them to wait until Mr. Young came in, and told them that there were some guests in the hotel that I knew nothing about, and that I did not know of anyone who had come from Florida. I stayed with the detectives a few minutes and then returned to my room. I lay down on the bed, and told my wife that the detectives wanted two men who had come from Florida, and I thought they wanted the men in #403. Neither she nor I knew what to do, as we did not want to create a disturbance in the hotel, and I wanted to wait until Young should return as he runs the hotel. I stayed in the room about a half hour, after which the bell boy called me again and said that the detectives were tearing things apart in the office. I then went down again, and tried to persuade them to wait until Mr. Young should come in, and to make less noise. There were three or four detectives, two or three officers in uniform, and two radio cars outside. I stayed about fifteen minutes and returned to my room, at the suggestion of one of the detectives. I again told my wife that I did not know what to do, and we discussed the matter. At about 5.30 AM my brother-in-law, John Tuscano, the husband of my wife's sister, who occupies the adjoining room, came and told us that when he had come into the hotel he had been grabbed and searched by the detectives. I then decided to go down again, and I dressed and did so, as he told me that the detectives had taken Owen Roberts to the police station. When I came down, Owen was not there, but two detectives and two uniformed officers were in the lobby. A few minutes later, one detective came back with Owen and said, "Room #403". I got them the room card for #403, and they copied the names. I asked if they wanted to go up in the elevator, and they said they would walk. At least three detectives went up, and possibly a fourth. Very soon thereafter, I heard several shots, although I do not think there were more than five. At this time, I do not know whether the uniformed policemen were in the lobby or outside. When I heard the shots, I went into the lavatory, which is behind the elevator. Immediately thereafter, I heard feet running all over the house, front and back. A few minutes later, when things were quiet, I came out. Shooting then started in the street, apparently in back and in front as well. I did not see the fugitives' car but I did see many policemen running about and shouting. While the shooting was still going on, the two women came in. Both had coats on, but were in their bare feet, and I noticed blood on the foot of the pregnant girl. My wife had come down,

and took them up in the elevator. So far as I can recall, this is all I know concerning the entire affair.

"I have read the above statement, consisting of three pages, and it is all true, so that I am affixing my signature at the bottom of each page, and at the end hereof."

William A. Morley (Signed)
#123 So. Kentucky Ave.,
Atlantic City, N.J.

Witness:

N. S. Marzenstein, (Signed)
Special Agent, Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Room 1403, #370 Lexington Ave., N.Y.C.

C. K. Fierstone, (Signed)
Special Agent, Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Room #1403, #370 Lexington Ave., N.Y.C.

Henry Stern, alias Duke Randall, is apparently a friend of several years' standing of the Morleys. He is said to have been variously body guard for a racketeer of Newark, N.J., a lather, an iron worker, a drummer, and traps player, in dance bands. He has, on two occasions within the past year, stayed at the Danmore Hotel, which he last visited in November, 1934.

The Morleys state that on different occasions in the past Randall has referred his friends to them at the hotel and these people have always appeared to be all right. Considerable investigation was made to ascertain the present whereabouts of Duke Randall but on January 21, the Philadelphia Office was informed telephonically by the Jacksonville Office that Duke Randall had been under surveillance in Miami, Florida, for sometime, and was later informed that Randall had been taken into custody for questioning. The results of the questioning were telephonically transmitted to the Philadelphia Office and are set out above.

In the statement of Dolores Delaney she stated someone gave her a letter to William Morley. This was Randall as appears from the statement of William Morley, set out herein.

A note in the handwriting of Duke Randall on the stationery of the Tamiami Hotel, Miami, was found among the belongings of DeLaney. This is being forwarded to the Jacksonville Office with other enclosures.

This note, written by Randall, also referred DeLaney to Mr. Young, manager of the New Richmond Hotel, 150 Kentucky Avenue, Atlantic City. Mr. Young, when interviewed, stated that neither Karpis, Campbell, DeLaney, or Burdett, had contacted him during their short stay in Atlantic City, nor had he ever previously seen or known any of these parties. He stated he had become acquainted with Duke Randall while Randall stayed at the New Richmond Hotel in June, 1933, at which time Randall was a musician in Atlantic City. He stated that Randall became behind in his rent while at the hotel and was finally asked to leave. Mr. Young stated that Randall still owes them \$20.86 in rent and that he was never socially acquainted nor intimately acquainted with Randall and cannot understand why Randall referred these parties to him at Atlantic City since he was not on good terms in any way with Randall. Young was not acquainted with Randall's present whereabouts and insisted he had not heard from him since Randall was forced to leave the hotel. He stated, however, that one Dennis Williams, who was once a resident of the New Richmond Hotel and who operated a cafe in the basement of that hotel, moved to Miami, Florida, about November 1, 1934. Young was not acquainted with what Williams is doing in Miami or his present address. He stated he had heard from him once, asking for a recommendation, stating that Williams was looking for a job as cook. Young did not know whether Williams was acquainted with Randall. Mr. Young appeared to be answering all questions honestly and from all indications he is well respected in the community.

The note given by Randall to DeLaney also refers her to one Bob Brown, 137 S. Massachusetts Avenue, Atlantic City. It was through Brown that the first lead was obtained in Atlantic City on Duke Randall. A card which is being forwarded to the Jacksonville Office was found in the pocket of some of Karpis' abandoned clothing. This card, likewise, referred to Bob Brown, Mr. Young, of the New Richmond Hotel, and Bill Morley, of the Danmore Hotel. Mrs. H. Brown recognized the handwriting as that of Duke Randall. Brown stated he had not been contacted by any of the subjects since their arrival in Atlantic City. He added that he had become acquainted with Randall about two

years ago when he played in Randall's Orchestra at the Little Garage in Atlantic City. Brown stated that Randall had gone to Florida, he believed, about two months ago and at various times he had known Randall to have lived at the Grant Hotel in New York, and the Richmond and Danmore Hotels in Atlantic City. Another player in Randall's Orchestra in Atlantic City was one Jimmie O'Leary. Brown stated that O'Leary's wife was Mrs. Morley's sister. O'Leary stayed at the Danmore Hotel while in Atlantic City. Brown does not know his present whereabouts but he was of the opinion that O'Leary would know the present whereabouts of Randall and that he might have had something to do with Randall's referring the Karpis gang to the Danmore Hotel. Pictures of O'Leary and Randall were obtained from Bob Brown and copies made by the Atlantic City Police Department. Copies of the pictures of Randall were forwarded to the Jacksonville Office by letter dated January 20, 1935. Other copies of this picture and of Randall's Orchestra and of Jimmie O'Leary, are being retained in the Philadelphia Office files. Randall is said to have been either in constant company, or married to, a girl known as Kittie Randall. She is described as follows:

5' tall - 140 pounds - blue (?) eyes - blond hair - round face - stock build - fair complexion.

It was learned that Randall also, on October 9, 1933, lived at 460 Forty-fifth Street, Brooklyn, N.Y.; that Jimmie O'Leary, whose home is at 2562 Cedar Street, Philadelphia, is now playing in a band somewhere in New York City.

Randall is known to have frequented the George Washington and Thurber Hotels in Atlantic City. When Randall played drums in the orchestra, one Barney Seiper operated the Little Club, in Atlantic City. This man is allegedly now somewhere in Miami, Florida, occupation unknown. It will be noted that Randall is allegedly employed at the Biscayne Dog Track and, further, that Karpis, while in Atlantic City, told several people, he owned several racing greyhounds in Miami.

From Burdett and DeLaney and from snapshots among the personal effects of these girls, it was found Karpis had two small bull puppies with him at Miami. These snapshots are being forwarded to the Jacksonville Office for possible use in this investigation.

It will be noted that a card taken from Karpis' clothing is the personal card of E. B. Bell, airplane pilot of the Florida Skiways, Inc., Miami, Florida. Information was telephonically received from Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt, Jacksonville, Florida, at 9:00 P.M., January 20, 1935, that Duke Randall and Gregory Codomo had entertained one Joe Adams at Newark, New Jersey, and that Adams was now reciprocating by entertaining Randall and Codomo at the El Commodore Hotel, Miami, Florida, and has been doing so since sometime in November, 1934. Codomo has a brother in New York named Leonard who runs the Select Used Car Company, Inc., 317 Central Avenue, New York. Mr. Alt suggested that a discreet investigation at New York might reveal a possible contact by Karpis and Campbell since Randall was the person who had introduced Karpis and Campbell to Morley at the Danmore Hotel.

Special Agent in Charge R. B. Hood, located in Newark, N.J., in conjunction with the Newark Detective Bureau, made a discreet investigation of the activities of Leonard Codomo at 317 Central Avenue, Newark, N.J. After watching the activities of Codomo for about two days to observe any suspicious circumstances in connection therewith, it was learned that Codomo had been informed that he was being watched. For that reason, Codomo was interviewed by Agent Hood and he informed that he was not acquainted with Karpis or Campbell and had never met them. He stated that his brother, Gregory, was in Miami, Florida, at the El Commodore Hotel and had been there for several months. From his attitude, it appeared he was not on extremely friendly terms with his brother Gregory and he appeared quite truthful in his answers to questions. Codomo is residing at the Regent Hotel, Bleecker Street, in Newark, N.J. He stated he would be glad at any time to aid an investigation by the Department of Justice and insisted that he had no knowledge or connection with his brother's activities in the past several months.

Dr. Carl Surran, 166 Pacific Avenue, Atlantic City, is the police surgeon of that city. He stated that a call came to his office at 10:40 A.M., Saturday, January 19, from one of the Morleys, requesting him to come to the hotel. He went there about eleven o'clock and met DeLaney. She stated she had been referred to the Morleys by a friend from Florida who had a dog track, and had been referred to Dr. Surran by the Morleys. She wanted the doctor to examine her to determine when it might be expected the baby would be delivered. She stated she had sent a wire to New

York City and that she would be able to tell Dr. Surran definitely later Saturday afternoon whether she expected to stay in Atlantic City for the delivery of the baby or whether she expected to go to New York. Dr. Surran states that Bill Morley told him to charge the girl plenty as the man who was with her had tried to get him to change a \$1,000 bill earlier in the day.

Every effort was made through the Postal Telegraph and Western Union offices at Atlantic City to determine whether such a wire had been sent. All wires that went out of those offices during Saturday and Friday were checked by agents and none of them appeared to have been sent by these parties. Further, all telephone calls made from the Danmore Hotel were checked through the cooperation of Mr. Fitzpatrick, Traffic Manager of the Bell Telephone Company, Atlantic City, and no calls to or from the Danmore Hotel appeared to have been made by these parties on Friday or Saturday.

Information was received by James A. McMenamin, of the Atlantic City Police, by telegram from Chief of Police O. P. Hedgepeth, of Rocky Mount, N.C., on January 22, 1935; that Harry Campbell allegedly lived at 4096 Calhoun Street, Dearborn, Michigan - Apartment 201.

Agents at Atlantic City telephonically transmitted this information to the Philadelphia Office and the Detroit Office was informed of these facts by telephone. That office will conduct the appropriate investigation at this address.

About 3:30 P.M., January 21, one Desmond, a newspaper reporter, advised that information had been received that the Pontiac car, in which Karpis and Campbell left Atlantic City, had been found in Bucks County, north of Philadelphia, by a farmer named Samuel Calabrette, about 7:00 A.M., that day; that the car was supposed to have been found deserted two and one-half miles southeast of Quakertown, Pa., on the Doylestown Road in Richland Township and had been turned over to the Pennsylvania State Police.

Special Agents T. E. Tracy, L. Arms, and A. R. Miller, and J. L. Fallon, were dispatched to Doylestown, Pa., to make an appropriate investigation.

Sergeant Discavage, of the State Highway Patrol at Doylestown, stated he had received information about 12:30 P.M., that a car had been found abandoned at the farm of Samuel Calabrette, R.F.D. #4, Quakertown, Pa. Discavage immediately proceeded to the Pennsylvania Police Sub-station at Doylestown, Pa., and conferred with Corporal Stewart. In company with Corporal Stewart, he then proceeded to the residence of Calabrette and examined the car which was found to be a Pontiac coach. Upon returning to Doylestown, Pa., a call was made to Reading, Pa., where Sergeant Sickel was telephonically contacted. Sergeant Sickel telephoned Harrisburg, from where a teletype message was sent over an eight State hook-up, stating the car had been recovered. This went out at approximately 1:30 P.M.

Agent examined the car, which was stored in the Fountain House Hotel Garage at Doylestown. It was found to be a Pontiac coach, 1934 model, engine #1039382, serial #887286, bearing New Jersey license tags A-3073. It was pea green in color, equipped with side mounts, tire carriers, and upon examination, four bullet holes were found as follows: one-through the spare tire mounted on the right fender; two- struck the metal on the top above the right door; 3- struck the body of the car; 4- struck the body above the left door.

The car was in good condition, none of the bullets having hit a vital part.

At the time of the discovery the keys for the car were in it and the tank was half full of gasoline. No fingerprints of any value were obtained from the car.

The car was discovered about 8:30 A.M., January 21, by David Calabrette and the discovery was communicated to the police at Quakertown shortly afterwards. The Calabrette family state that although they informed the Chief of Police at Quakertown of the discovery of the car at about 7:40 in the morning January 21, no law officials appeared on the scene until about 9:30 A.M.

James Lark, a negro living in a cottage about 200' to the north of the Calabrette home was interviewed and he stated that his

attention was directed about 12:30 or 1:00 A.M., January 21, by his dog barking outside. He stated his daughter, Juanita, age 12, was in her bedroom about 12:30 and she saw the lights of a car pull in the lane and the lights go out. This was at the same time the dog barked outside. Lark stated about 5:00 A.M., that morning the dog also indulged in considerable barking. The car, however, was first observed at 7:00 A.M.

These agents proceeded to Allentown, Pa., and interviewed Dr. Harry F. Hoffman at the Allentown Hospital. He stated that Dr. Hunsicker, who is the man stopped by Subjects Karpis and Campbell on the road near Allentown the night of January 20, and who was forced by subjects to drive his car about 400 miles into Ohio, had been employed at the hospital since August 16, 1934; that he left the hospital Saturday night after being relieved of duty. Dr. Hunsicker did not report on Monday morning and later in the day Dr. Lindenfeld called the Hunsicker home in Philadelphia and learned that Dr. Hunsicker had left Philadelphia on Sunday afternoon. Dr. Lindenfeld further learned that Dr. Hunsicker had visited a girl friend in Lansdowne, Pa., and had departed from her home about 10:00 P.M., Sunday evening, January 20. About 10:00 P.M., January 21, Dr. Hunsicker received a call from Dr. Hunsicker at Wadsworth, Ohio, and Dr. Hunsicker then related he had been held up by two men on the Bethlehem Pike while returning to the hospital. It was ascertained that the car owned by Dr. Hunsicker was a Plymouth, 1934 model. Hunsicker's car bore license tags - 1935 Pennsylvania - 39179. The motor number is PE-209 213, serial number 2378079. Upon receipt of this information the Division was immediately advised, as were the Detroit and Chicago Division Offices. Lindenfeld

Special Agent in Charge William Larson, of the Detroit Office, was requested to proceed to Wadsworth, Ohio, for the purpose of interviewing Dr. Hunsicker for the circumstances surrounding the theft of his car, after it was learned that Dr. Hunsicker had been thrown out of his car at that point. The memorandum, submitted by Special Agent D. E. Hall, at Cleveland, Ohio, January 22, 1935, was received at this office. Special Agent P. M. Trapani proceeded to Wadsworth, Ohio, to interview Dr. Horace H. Hunsicker. The results of this interview were set out in the memorandum of Special Agent Hall, copies of which were sent to the Division, Chicago, St. Paul, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, and Detroit Offices. It was noted in this

memorandum that Dr. Hunsicker was under the impression that it was about 8:00 A.M., January 21, when he was overtaken by the Pontiac car driven by the subjects. It has been definitely established that this car was found abandoned, at least as early as 7:00 A.M., January 21, and it therefore seems obvious that ~~Dr.~~ Dr. Hunsicker did not give an accurate statement of the time he was overtaken.

Previous to the discovery of the abandoned Pontiac, stolen at Atlantic City, the following were contacted, either in person or by telephone, through the Philadelphia Office -

All Philadelphia hospitals - with reference to the possible treatment of subjects for gun wounds.

Ferries and toll bridges in the Philadelphia Office territory.

Philadelphia Police Department for relaying radio cars.

Pennsylvania State Police, Harrisburg, for E.J. teletype relay.

Miscellaneous police departments in the Philadelphia district.

Frequent telephonic reports of the results of the investigation at Atlantic City were made to Special Agent in Charge R. G. Harvey at New York City, Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt, Jacksonville, Florida, Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, at Jacksonville, Florida, and to Assistant Director Tamm, Washington, D.C.

Among the articles found in the baggage abandoned by Subjects Karpis and Campbell and that owned by Subjects Burdett and Delaney were the following items which are felt to be of value in developing leads in this case:

A contract printed in a foreign language between the National City Bank of New York, Havana, Cuba, Branch, and one E. N. Wagner.

The above instrument was submitted to F. D. Hayes, Inspector for the U. S. Immigration Service, Gloucester, N.J., for translation. According to his report, the above contract, which is #4837, is for safe deposit box #344 for a term of one year - expiration date - September 22, 1935, the said box being rented on September 22, 1934, at Havana, Cuba, at a rental fee of \$10 - National currency, or American money. The box has two keys, #1724, and same is not to be opened unless all interested parties are present or unless authorized by an interested party.

On the back of this instrument there is printed the rules and regulations of the Safe Deposit Box Department of the National City Bank of New York.

The above information was furnished to Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt, of the Jacksonville Division Office, under date of January 21, 1935, with the request that he confer with United States Attorney Holland, of Jacksonville, for the purpose of making arrangements, whereby this box might be entered or impounded in such a manner that no one else would be able to procure the contents thereof.

On the same date key #1724 was forwarded to Special Agent in Charge Hanson at Miami, Florida, for transmission to Special Agent R. D. Brown who is at present conducting an investigation at Havana, Cuba, in this case, as it is possible he may have an opportunity, through the American Embassy at Havana, to get access to this box in order to observe the contents thereof. The other key for the safe deposit box in question is being forwarded to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Chicago.

Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, who arrived at the Philadelphia Office January 21, in communication by letter with Special Agent in Charge Hanson, at Miami, Florida, stated that Special Agent R. D. Brown had obtained information indicating that subjects were exchanging some of the ransom money at Havana, Cuba, and it was very possible the balance of the unchanged ransom money might be in this safe deposit box. Dolores Delaney, Mr. Connelley, stated, indicated that at the time they were in Havana they stopped at the Parkview Hotel and that Kate Barker also stopped at this hotel and, as shown on the stubs from her passage tickets, Kate Barker apparently was in Havana October 28, 1934.

On the night of January 21, 1935, the information above described as to the safe deposit box at the National City Bank of New York, Havana, Cuba, obtained by Karpis under the name of E. W. Wagner, and having keys #1724, was communicated to the Jacksonville Office; also, at this time there was forwarded Special Delivery, Air Mail, to Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, one of these keys for such assistance as possible in any negotiations with the local authorities in Havana.

Mr. Tamm stated the Department had not been given much encouragement as to the possibility of searching the contents of this safe deposit box.

Photostatic copies of this contract were made and are being forwarded with copies of this report as follows: one to the Division, one to Chicago, one retained in the Philadelphia files, the original of which is being sent to the Jacksonville Office.

It was further noted in the baggage were six pieces of Cuban money, three being "Un Centavo" pieces, two, "Dos Centavos" pieces, and one, "Diez Centavos" pieces. These are being retained by the Philadelphia Office.

There was also found a map of a route from Havana to Santiago, which is being forwarded to the Jacksonville Office for what leads it may furnish as to subjects' activities in Cuba. There are also being forwarded a post card, apparently obtained from the P & O Steamship Company, which may furnish leads as to the time and method of travel in Cuba and a blue envelope with certain Spanish print on the exterior. This latter print has not been translated and its investigative value is undetermined.

There is also being transmitted to the Jacksonville Office a postcard of the Pan American Airways, the card apparently having been purchased in Cuba. It shows one of the flying boats on the Pan American Airways route to South America and it may possibly furnish some lead as to subjects' activities in Havana.

A vest pocket Spanish American dictionary was found in subjects' baggage. This apparently was purchased in Cuba and is being forwarded to the Jacksonville Office. An envelope containing certain bills was found in the baggage. It is noted that it is from the Hotel Parkview at Havana, Cuba. With the other enclosures, this is being forwarded to Jacksonville.

There is also being forwarded Claim Check #2565 from the Sutton Jewelry Company, 132 E. Flagler Street, Miami, Florida, which was found in subjects' possession.

A bottle of medicine was found in the baggage. It is apparently prescription #50179, filled by Fossetts' Pharmacy, 168 S. E. First Street, Miami, Florida, January 1, 1935. The prescription was apparently made by Dr. J. E. Hall for Mr. E. N. Green, an alias used by Karpis. Whether Dr. Hall had knowledge of the identity of Subject Karpis should be ascertained by the Jacksonville Office.

Examination of the clothes abandoned by subjects revealed the following information: 3 size 14 shirts, having a laundry mark "Green"; one 14 1/2 men's shorts, bearing the laundry mark, and one pair of men's shorts marked M.B; one 14 1/2 men's shorts, bearing the laundry mark Sum. On one grey summer suit there appears a cleaner's mark as follows: "1950-W" and, on the same suit, is found the mark 9-29-22-46-3 SP; in another light grey suit appears the cleaners' mark "Summers K2171". This laundry mark appears in both the coat and pants of this suit.

Among other items found in the baggage, all of which are being forwarded to the Jacksonville Office for what leads they may furnish as to the activities of subjects while in Florida and Cuba, are as follows: -- key to Room 705 El Commodore Hotel, Miami, Florida. It was ascertained by agent in talking to Wynona Burdett that she and Campbell registered at the El Commodore on Sunday, January 13, upon their arrival in Miami but that they did not stay in a room due to the fact they located Karpis and stayed with him and Dolores DeLaney in Karpis' house that night.

In addition, were found the following two receipts, dated October 30, and 31, 1934, signed apparently by Dr. G. D. Laymon, or Lazmon, acknowledging the receipt of \$20 in one case, and \$80 in another, from G. L. Summers. A purchase check from A. S. Beck Shoes, town not indicated, a small piece of paper, apparently torn from a magazine bearing an illegible notation which appears to be "Long 3814 Coat 37 Short", a passenger coupon, signed "E. N. Wagner", apparently used in connection with steamboat transportation to Cuba, a diamond brooch was in a box showing its purchase from Sutton and Gibson Jewelry Company, branch store, Burdine and Waterman, Inc., Miami, Florida, were also found.

Information was received by telephone from Special Agent Rider, of the Pittsburgh Office, that Arthur P. Burdett, a brother of Wynona, formerly lived with one Mrs. LeForte, of Erie, Pa; that he allegedly had boasted of being a gunman. Arthur Burdett's second wife, Helen Hampson, stated she lives at 536 Valley Street, Lewistown, Pa.

At LEWISTOWN, PA.

Mrs. Helen B. Hampton Burdett, when interviewed January 25, 1935, advised she had met Arthur Pickens Burdett in the summer of 1933 when he was appearing in a vaudeville act known as "Ken Hackley and his Oklahoma Cow Boys". She stated Arthur was a musician in the act and his two sisters, Jimmie and Eunice, were in the act doing a song sequence. Mrs. Burdett stated she married Arthur at Huntington, Pa., December 17, 1931, and traveled with him in the vaudeville act until March, 1933, touring the States of Oklahoma, Texas, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, and Wisconsin. She advised she spent sometime in Tulsa, Oklahoma, Arthur's home, and there she met Wynona and the rest of the family who are as follows: - Esther Burdett Wilson, Harmony, Oklahoma; Aaron Burdett, address unknown; May Burdett, address unknown; Fern Burdett, address unknown. This four and the other four, that is Wynona, Jimmie (a girl) Eunice, and Arthur compose the entire family, the parents being dead. Mrs. Burdett stated that she received word from her husband in July, of 1934, that he was at Port Huron, Michigan, and that he was going to Erie, Pa., where he had a job. Mrs. Burdett went to Erie and lived with Arthur until October, 1934, when she left him again. About the first of January she heard from him by letter, Arthur stating he could be reached at the American Legion Post, 1208 Prade Street, Erie, Pa. Arthur is apparently employed as a piano player at the American Legion Post. Mrs. Burdett insisted that she does not know of Wynona's associations, only through newspaper accounts, and that it is her belief her husband had never had any connection with any of the gangsters and is not a criminal in any way. She claims while she lived with Arthur no mention was made of any gangster but insisted neither she nor Arthur knew any of the Barker - Karpis gang, pictures of whom were shown to her. She furnished Agent L. Levin, who conducted this investigation, with a photograph of Arthur P. Burdett, and described him as follows:

Name	Arthur P. Burdett
Age	33 years
Height	6'
Weight	195 pounds
Hair	Black
Eyes	Dark
Complexion	Medium - clean shaven.
Scars or Marks	None

Mrs. Burdett uses the name of Helen Hampson (her maiden name) and requested that Arthur Burdett's picture be returned to her by envelope bearing the name Helen Hampson.

At ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.

Previous to learning that Arthur Burdett was located at Erie, Pa., the agents in Atlantic City conducted an investigation of a rumor transmitted by a newspaper man that Arthur Burdett allegedly was playing in an orchestra in Atlantic City. All the union officials

were contacted and it was found Burdett had never been a member of the union in Atlantic City and all non-union orchestra leaders at present in the city were contacted and no one was found who had any knowledge of Arthur Burdett ever having been in Atlantic City.

The clothing and personal effects of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell are being retained by the Philadelphia Office. All items of use for the purpose of this investigation have been removed from the baggage and are being forwarded to the various offices, as set out in this report.

Among the property found in the possession of Dolores Delaney is a watch chain with a key and knife attached. This is being forwarded to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Chicago, along with a miscellaneous group of keys found in the baggage of these parties, since there is the possibility some of these may furnish valuable leads during the course of this investigation.

All articles recovered and forwarded to other offices or retained in the Philadelphia Office have been marked by agent for later identification.

The following articles, recovered from the gun battle at Atlantic City, N.J., are being retained in the Philadelphia Office in envelopes, numbered as follows: -

- #1 - Four fired .45 calibre cartridges
One flattened .45 projectile, recovered by Atlantic City Detective Arch Witham from the Danmore Hotel, fourth floor hallway - all fired by subjects.
- #2 - One .45 projectile, as fired, intact.
one metal jacket from .45 projectile and one lead interior of .45 projectile - all recovered by Officer Brown from the street outside the Coast Garage - fired by subjects.
- #3 - Two fired .22 calibre cartridges - recovered by Special Agent Meekins under the rear seat of Buick automobile. These were found along with .22 calibre rifle, recovered from Buick car, described above.
- #4 - One .45 calibre projectile, fired by subjects, and recovered by Special Agent E. Emerson Wright in the door jam outside of Room 408 of the Hotel Danmore and marked by that agent.

Remains of lead projectile from .32 calibre - Atlantic City Police pistol of Detective Arch Witham. This was recovered by Special Agent J. R. Sharp from the floor of Room 406 of the Hotel Danmore, Atlantic City.

By letter dated January 22, 1935, from Special Agent R. B. Nathan, Kansas City, this office was informed that a map of the State of Kansas was being forwarded, the same having been received at the Kansas City Office from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Jacksonville, Florida, with information to the effect the map was found in the home previously occupied by Fred Barker, Kate Barker, Harry Campbell, and Wynona Burdett, at Oklawaha. There were certain pencilled marks on this map, indicating a route from Ottawa, Kansas, to Cherryvale, Kansas, with the writing "16/73W". The significance of these markings was not known but it was felt that the pencilled marks undoubtedly related to the highways traced over by pencil, running from Cherryvale to Ottawa. It was noted Special Agent Nathan informed that State Road 16 runs from Cherryvale to Earlton, Kansas, and at a point slightly north and east of Earlton, joins 73 W, which proceeds to Ottawa, and continues north. Route 16 continues south from Cherryvale to Oklahoma City and at Collinsville, Oklahoma, joins Route 75, which continues into Tulsa, a distance of approximately 25 miles from Collinsville. Special Agent Nathan stated that inasmuch as it was known that the relatives of both Wynona Burdett and Harry Campbell reside in that section of Oklahoma, she might have information concerning the map in question and the markings on it.

Special Agent J. L. Fallon questioned Wynona Burdett in respect to this map while she was in custody at Philadelphia, Pa., and the result of his questioning was transmitted to the Kansas City Office by letter dated January 24, 1935. Burdett insisted that in going from Ponca City, to Florida, she went directly to Oklahoma City and thence to Texas, crossing the Mississippi at a point unknown to her. She insisted that they were not in the State of Kansas and that Campbell did not show her the map referred to. Neither did she know whose handwriting appeared on the map and feels confident that Campbell did not outline this route. She did state, however, that the negroes, who were hired by the Barker family while residing at Oklawaha, might be able to relate something about the various maps found in the cottage as the same were common property to everyone who visited the cottage. This map was returned to the Kansas City Office for further disposition.

Four road maps were found in the Buick automobile abandoned in Atlantic City. It is noted that no routes or markings appear on these maps but they are being forwarded to the Jacksonville Office for any possible purpose they may serve.

In addition there was found in the Buick automobile the blotter card of Rob Thompson, Everglades, Florida, who apparently runs a boat livery.

There was also an advertising card of Oliver Brothers, who sell fishing tackle at 1085 N. E. Seventy-ninth Street, apparently Miami, and Biscayne, Florida. In addition, there were found two scraps of newspaper showing various apartment houses and houses for rent in Miami, Florida. These maps and papers are being forwarded to the Jacksonville Office and have been marked for identification.

On January 22, 1935, in telephonic conversation with Special Agent in Charge R. G. Harvey, the St. Paul Office informed that Harry Sawyer, subject in this case, is allegedly living with Louie Brooks, a notorious character, who supposedly lives in Philadelphia. Sawyer is supposed to be travelling in a Chevrolet coach, motor #2029084, bearing 1934 Minnesota license B-89155.

Special Agent J. L. Fallon checked the Probation Office records at the Philadelphia Police Department, the Postal Inspectors Department, the Automobile Division of the Philadelphia Police, and made several under-world contacts in the immediate vicinity of Philadelphia in order to determine whether Brooks is known in this vicinity. Agent Fallon was unable to find anyone with any knowledge of the identity or whereabouts of Louie Brooks. In a later telephonic conversation with Special Agent in Charge Connelley, this office was informed that Brooks was sometimes known as "Big Louie" and that he allegedly was well known in under-world circles in New York City.

All the above information in connection with Sawyer and Louie Brooks was transmitted to the New York Office by letter dated 1-25-35 and that office will conduct the appropriate investigation in that vicinity.

During the course of this investigation numerous leads were followed at Atlantic City and Philadelphia which produced nothing but negative results. Every possible lead was checked at Atlantic City to determine whether Subjects Karpis or Campbell were remaining within that immediate vicinity shortly after the gun battle. Several raids were conducted on suspicious houses and one Andrew Applegate, Ainsley Boulevard, Pleasantville, N.J., was taken into custody and questioned due to his great similarity in appearance with Subject Karpis. Applegate had been reported by several sources as being Karpis. In addition, all hospitals

garages, and backwoods roads, within an area of twenty miles surrounding Atlantic City were searched to determine whether subjects were hiding in the immediate vicinity.

A rumor was received from Paul J. O'Neil, part owner of the Atlantic City Press, that Sergeant Brennan, one of the three police officers who attempted to capture Karpis and Campbell in the Danmore Hotel, was in fact a part owner of the Danmore Hotel. Preliminary investigation of this rumor failed to substantiate it in any respect. Numerous rumors of this type arose in Atlantic City after the escape of Campbell and Karpis due to the fact that the newspapers and numerous residents of the city severely criticized the Atlantic City Police Department for their failure to capture subjects.

Part of the information received from Mr. O'Neil involved the fact that one John Contor, a known racketeer of Atlantic City, otherwise known as "Duke the Sheriff", allegedly lived at the Danmore Hotel and may have been the means by which Karpis and Campbell came to that hotel. The memorandum submitted by Special Agent H. O. Schroeder in connection with the investigation of these facts is being retained in the Philadelphia Office file but is not set out here as it apparently has no connection with the facts of this investigation. It will be noted, however, that Mr. and Mrs. Morley, when interviewed by Agent Schroeder, insisted that John Contor had never been a resident of the Danmore Hotel and further, that Subject Brennan had never been connected with them in a business way, in connection with the hotel or otherwise.

It may be stated that Atlantic City is on an island which can be reached only by three boulevards, all of which are equipped with draw bridges and can be raised on immediate notice from the Police Department. Apparently, no one thought of seeing to it that these bridges were raised at the time of subjects' escape.

The license plate D-5-306, taken from the Buick automobile is being retained in the Philadelphia Office.

The statement taken from Dolores DeLaney is set out herein:

Philadelphia, Pa.,
January 21, 1935.

"I, Dolores DeLaney, freely and voluntarily make the following statement, to L. R. Miller, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Philadelphia, Pa., without any threats or promises being made to me, and knowing that the same will be used in the Courts against me.

"My name is Dolores DeLaney. I am 22 years of age, and reside, when home, in Chicago, Ill. I have known Alvin Karpis for over one year, having met him in Chicago. When I first met him I did not know he was wanted by the Federal Government, but I subsequently learned through the papers that he was wanted in connection with some Federal crime. I knew this before Wynona Burdett, Paula Harmon, and Mrs. Sawyer, were arrested in Cleveland, Ohio. Alvin Karpis and I have been living since some time in November of 1934 in Miami, Florida. The address of the house in which we lived I do not care to reveal. After we heard over the radio of the shooting of Kate and Fred Barker, at Oklawaha, Florida, we decided to leave Miami and go to Atlantic City, N.J. Some one gave me a letter to give to Wm. Morley at the Danmoor Hotel, where Karpis and Harry Campbell would join Wynona Burdett and myself as soon as they arrived by car from Miami. We left Miami on Thursday, January 17, 1935, coming by train through Philadelphia, and on to Atlantic City. I registered at the Danmoor Hotel as per agreement with Karpis and Campbell as Mrs. Graham & sister. It was my intention to see a Doctor in Atlantic City, because I was pregnant with child and the baby was due I thought on January 17th. Alvin Karpis will be the father of my child when it is born.

"On Sunday morning, January 20th, Karpis stayed with me in Room 400 at the Danmoor Hotel but left suddenly some time before 6 o'clock A.M. very hurriedly, leaving his pants in my room. After this departure I heard shots outside my room, one bullet entering my room and striking me in the calf of the right leg. Karpis & Campbell ran out of the Hotel and Wynona Burdett and I followed in our bare feet & nighties on, covered only by our coats. We ran out into the alley back of the hotel but I was so weak from loss of blood I could not go very far. We came back to the hotel and were arrested shortly thereafter. I signed a waiver to be brought back to Philadelphia where I was placed in the Fahnenmann Hospital.

"I have read this statement consisting of one page and the same is true and correct.

Dolores DeLaney (Signed)

WITNESS:

L. R. Miller, Special Agent, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, Phila., Pa.
H. A. Thompson, Special Agent of Division of Investigation, U. S. Dept. of Justice, Phila., Pa.

In a later interview with Delaney, agent ascertained that she and Karpis lived in Cuba under the name of E. M. Wagner for a period of a month or two, last Fall, believed to be from September to November, or thereabouts. Delaney stated they travelled from Miami to Cuba several times by boat, using the P. & O. Steamship Company usually; that they travelled from Miami to Havana, on several occasions by means of the Pan-American Airways. She stated that sometime last Fall Karpis rented a house some distance from Havana where they stayed for a period of a month or more. Travel was made from Havana to this house by means of hired cars from Havana. As close as she can recall, the house was reached by travelling the Havana to Santiago Highway, which, it will be noted, appears on the map being forwarded to the Jacksonville Office. Travel was made from Havana on this highway to a few kilometers past Matanzas, which appears by the map to be 102 kilometers from Havana. Several kilometers past Matanzas they turned off and went through a town which, as close as she can recall, was named Cardinas. She believed the house to be about 20 kilometers from Cardinas, direction uncertain. She insisted that anybody in the locality of the little gathering of houses in which they lived would remember them as the americanos as, she states, they were the only people in that vicinity who were not natives. She recalls that Kate Barker visited them at this house but insisted that Fred and Doc were not there at any time. She further informed that when she left Miami for Atlantic City the week previous to her apprehension in Atlantic City, she received \$1,000, \$100 of which she had at the time of her arrest, and over \$150 of which she spent for transportation for herself and Burdett from Miami to Atlantic City, the rest of which she said she "gave away", it being quite apparent she gave this money to Karpis.

The descriptions of Subject Burdett and Subject Delaney are as follows:

Name	Dolores Delaney, alias S. A. Green, alias Louise Graham, alias L. O. Wood, alias Mrs. A. B. Graham.
Height	5' 4"
Weight	105 pounds
Age	19, born 6-20-1915.
Hair	Golden brown
Eyes	Brown
Build	Medium

Complexion
Scars

Fair
Bullet wound - scars right leg calf
and front.

Name
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Wynona Burdett, alias Wynona Walcott
21 years
5'6"
Hazel
112 pounds
Slender
Extreme dark brown
Dark
None noticeable

DeLaney further stated that she had lived at the apartment at 7137 Yates Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, with Alvin Karpis, who, she said, rented this apartment for a lengthy period of time. She admitted that numerous other members of the gang had visited them there but could only state definitely that Fred Goetz, alias George Ziegler, was in the apartment. She further insisted that she met Duke Randall only once, that being when he gave her \$1,000, the day previous to her departure from Florida for Atlantic City. She stated that she knew Joe Adams principally as manager of the El Commodore Hotel, Miami, Florida; that although she knew Karpis had numerous dealings with him she was not sure Adams knew Karpis' true identity.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS.

JACKSONVILLE OFFICE at MIAMI, FLORIDA - Will question Duke Randall concerning knowledge the Morleys might have possessed regarding the identity of Subjects.

Will determine the identity of E. B. Bell, pilot for the Florida Airways Corporation, Miami, and determine the extent of his acquaintance with subjects.

At HAVANA, CUBA - If possible, will examine the contents of safe deposit box #314 at the National City Bank, Havana Branch.

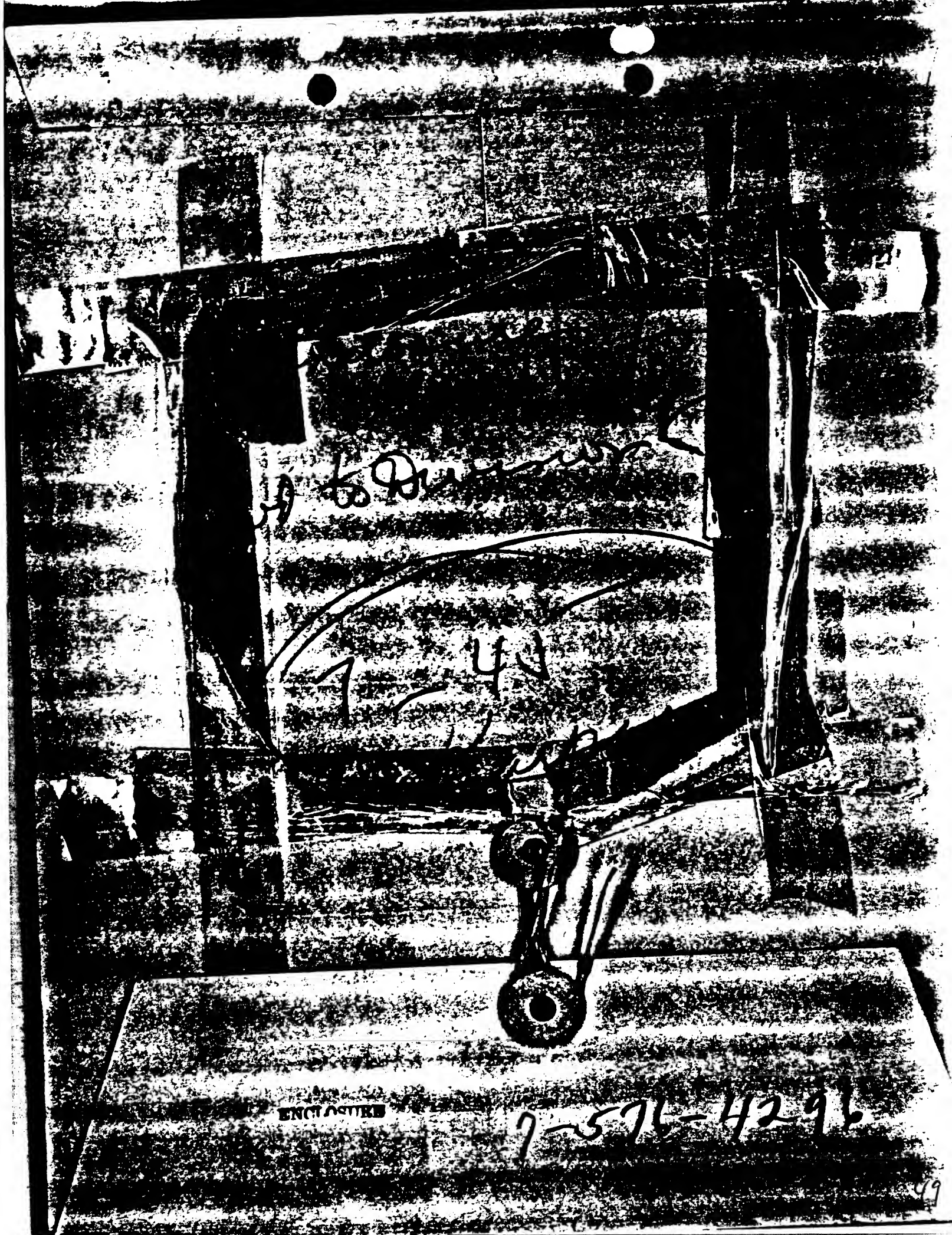
Will follow all leads set out herein relative to the activities of subjects in Florida and Cuba.

DETROIT OFFICE - Will conduct discreet investigation at 4096 Calhoun Street, Dearborn, Michigan, Apartment 201, as per information set out in this report.

NEW YORK OFFICE - Will check the guns recovered from subjects at Atlantic City as set out herein.

ALL OFFICES - Should carefully review the file in this matter and discreetly check any former hideouts of these fugitives. Should also develop all and any leads which appear to require investigative attention in the respective field offices.

- P E N D I N G -



ENCLOSURE

7-576-4296

THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK
SUCURSAL DE LA HABANA

Conste por el presente entre yo como

Bank of New York, en lo adelante denominado "El Banco", la capital de la ciudad de Nueva York.

PRIMERO:— El arrendamiento será por el término de 22 ^{meses} de **Septiembre** este contrato y que vencerá en 22 de **Septiembre** cantidad de \$ **20.00** (**Diez 00/100 pesos.**) que ha sido abo

SEGUNDO: - El Banco observará la diligencia necesaria para evitar que la caja dada en arrendamiento sea abierta por cualquier otra persona que no sea el cliente, su representante o sucesor legal. Fuera de esto el Banco sólo se obliga a dar el uso de la caja y permitir el acceso a la misma, a menos que le fuera imposible facilitar el uso o acceso por caso fortuito o fuerza mayor.

TERCERO:—La Caja sólo podrá ser usada por el cliente o la persona que éste designe por escrito, en la forma que indique el Banco, limitándose la responsabilidad de éste a comprobar la identidad de la persona designada cuando se presente a abrir la Caja.

CUARTO:—El acceso al Banco para usar la Caja de Seguridad, queda limitado a los días, horas y reglas que fije el Banco.

QUINTO:—El cliente se obliga a conservar y devolver al terminarse este Contrato, las dos llaves No. **5123-** de la Caja que le son entregadas y en caso de pérdida o no devolución de las mismas, será responsable para con el Banco por los gastos que a causa de ello deba realizar este tal, como adquisición de nuevas llaves, cambio de cerraduras y apertura de la Caja de Seguridad o sustitución de las mismas.

SEXTO:—En caso de que la Caja sea arrendada a varias personas, podrá entenderse arrendada conjuntamente por todas ellas, y en ese caso, serán aplicables al contrato las estipulaciones señaladas en esta cláusula bajo la letra a), o podrá arrendarse por ellas indistintamente, y en ese caso le serán aplicables al contrato las estipulaciones que a continuación se expresan bajo la letra b):

4) —ARRENDAMIENTO CONJUNTO.

Si el contrato es celebrado como arrendatarios conjuntos por los albañiles firmantes, queda convenido que los clientes no podrán abrir la Casa arrendada, ni las oficinas, que mediante la concurrencia de todos, por si o debidamente representados por personas con poderes bastantes, o por cualquiera de ellos, siempre que esté autorizado por escrito por todos los demás. Esos mismos requisitos se observarán para dar por terminado este contrato y extraer los objetos depositados en la Caja a la terminación del mismo.

b) —ARRENDAMIENTO INDISTINTO.

5) - ARRENDAMIENTO Indistinto. El contrato es celebrado como arrendatarios indistinto por los abajo firmantes, queda convenido que cualquiera de ellos sin previa autorización de los demás, podrá abrir personalmente o por medio de persona debidamente autorizada o con poder bastante, la Caja arrendada y que igualmente cualquiera de ellos podrá dar por terminado este contrato por si y a nombre de los demás, sin necesidad de autorización expresa para ello y pudiendo en todo caso, extraer los objetos depositados sin que en ningún caso incurra en Banco en responsabilidad alguna, por los actos que realice cualquiera de los arrendatarios sin permiso, autorización o conocimiento de los demás.

Los abajo firmantes optan, por este contrato, por las estipulaciones
del arrendamiento que se regulará, además, por las otras estipulaciones contenidas en este
documento.

SEPTIMO:— Cuando sean varios los arrendatarios de la Caja, el Banco se reserva el derecho, en caso de muerte de cualquiera de ellos, de no permitir abrir la Caja a los demás, hasta que se haya declarado el derecho de alguna persona o personas, sobre los valores u objetos que se encuentren depositados en la Caja. Pero el Banco no incurrirá en responsabilidad alguna con los herederos o sucesores del fallecido, aun el caso de tratarse de un arrendamiento de los denominados "indianitos", permíttese abrir la Caja a cualquiera de ellos la Caja arrendada y fueren extraños los objetos depositados en la misma.

OCTAVO: En caso de que en cualquier procedimiento judicial se embarguen los bienes guardados en la Caja o se prohibiere al Banco permitir el acceso a la misma por reclamación dirigida contra cualquiera de los clientes, el Banco podrá negarse a permitir abrir la Caja a los demás, ya se trate de un arrendamiento de los que en este contrato se denominan "conjuntos" ya de los que se denominan "indistintos".

NOVENO. El cliente responderá de cualquier daño que sufra el libro por no haber cumplido con el deber de custodia. Así como también de cualquier daño que pueda ocurrir por esa misma razón.

DECIMO. Si fueren varios los acreedores de un deudor, el pago de la deuda se refiere a la deuda novata por solidario y en su totalidad a cualquiera de ellos de uno, varios o todos los acreedores, y ya si el pago se refiere a uno o varios de ellos, conjunto o indistinto y en general todas las obligaciones de los deudores y de sus representantes y responsables en que incurriesen los deudores por que el pago de una de ellas se consideran solidarias.

DECLIMOPRIMERO: En caso de disputa, litigio o controversia de los arrendatarios de la Caja, entre sí, cuando sean varios, o de cualquiera de ellos con terceros contra cualquiera de ellos o contra los arrendatarios de la Caja, el Banco para librarse de toda responsabilidad por abrir la Caja en la forma prevista en la cláusula de apertura de este contrato, consignando los depósitos o valores que correspondan. Si alguno de los arrendatarios solicitare...

DECIMOSEGUNDO. Este contrato no podrá ser enajenado, ni por el cliente, ni podrá este subarrendar la casa de sujeción a otra persona.

DECIMOTERCERO. El Banco garantiza el derecho de rescindir el presente contrato en cualquier momento antes de que el cliente haya pagado este contrato el equivalente a nuestro año de servicio. Si el cliente rescinde el contrato antes de haber pagado el equivalente a un año de servicio, el cliente la parte proporcional del precio de arrendamiento que le corresponde al momento de rescindir el contrato y podrá darlo por rescindido sin devolución de parte alguna del precio, caso de que el cliente incumpliera cualquiera de las obligaciones que del mismo resulten.

DECIMOCUARTO: Si al terminarse este contrato o del período de vigencia de este contrato, el cliente dentro de dos días hábiles siguientes al vencimiento o notificación de vencimiento, el Banco podrá cancelar a costa del cliente, ante el Notario Público, haciendo entrega de todos los valores u objetos que se encuentran en la Caja, así como entregar los mismos efectos que la devolución al cliente, la Caja podrá igualmente ser abierta ante dos testigos y comparecer el Banco en su caso, o depositar ante el Notario, o consistir por el cliente en un depósito en todos los casos los efectos de apertura ante notario y el cliente en un caso, según se trate de cuenta del cliente.

DECIMOQUINTO. Si al vencimiento de este contrato el arrendatario no presentare dentro de los diez días siguientes a devolverse el inmueble a la Caja arrendada, el Banco podrá, si lo estima conveniente, cancelar el contrato. El cliente renueva este arrendamiento y dar por celebrado un contrato su sujeto a todas las cláusulas del presente convenio, con derecho a reclamar el aumento del precio del arrendamiento adelantado, por un año más.

Esta tacita reconduce al tenor literal de cada uno de los artículos, y si el cliente en el ya citado plazo de diez días no manifiesta su voluntad de terminar el contrato, el Banco no procede en la forma que aparece en la cláusula decimocuarta.

DECIMOSEXTO: Este contrato queda, además, sujeto a las condiciones fijadas en el Reglamento del Departamento de "Apurimac" de la entidad Banco según aparece al dorso de este contrato, y que ha sido leído y entendido por el cliente en todas sus partes según declara.

DECIMOSEPTIMO. El Banco tendrá un derecho de retención en todos los objetos depositados en la Caja, siempre que se le esté pagando la renta de este arrendamiento o cualquiera parte en que se pague el Banco por causa del mismo, o en tanto no se le indemnice con el valor que le caiga a cargo el incumplimiento de este contrato por parte del

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Y para constancia se extienden dos ejemplares del presente contrato, uno para el Banco y otro para el cliente en la ciudad de la Habana, el día -22- de Septiembre de 1944.

THE NATIONAL CITY BANK OF NEW YORK

E. J. Wagner

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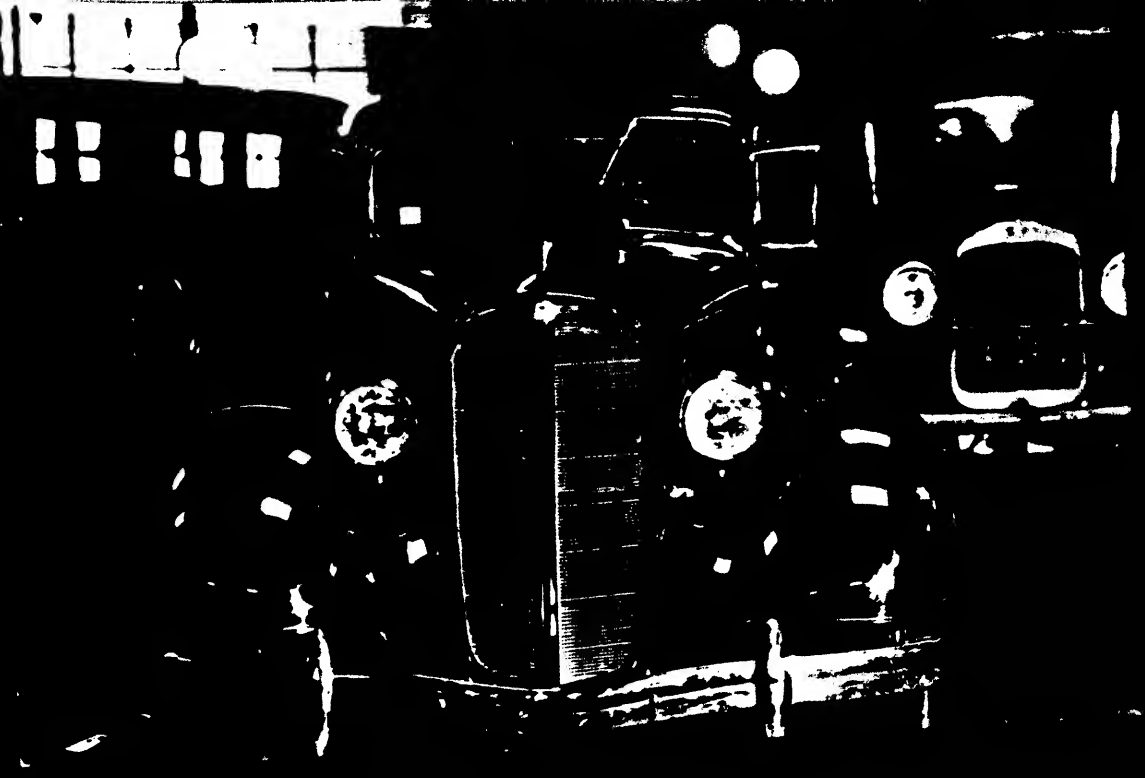
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REGLAS DEL DEPARTAMENTO DE APARTADOS DE SEGURIDAD

- 1º—No se examinarán por los arrendatarios la Caja o papeles de éstos dentro de la Bóveda, debiendo usarse los cuartos destinados a ese objeto.
- 2º—La obligación del Banco, se concentrará a impedir que el Apartado sea abierto con otra llave que no sea la del arrendatario, durante el plazo del arrendamiento. En caso de fallecimiento o incapacidad del arrendatario, se prohibirá la apertura, previa solicitud autorizada, por escrito y hasta nuevo aviso dado por la autoridad o persona legalmente facultada.
- 3º—Toda queja contra el Banco, relacionada con el arrendamiento de uno o más apartados en la Bóveda, deberá hacerse inmediatamente después de descubrirse el motivo de ella, dándole el aviso correspondiente por escrito al Gerente o Contador, manifestando la naturaleza y ascendencia de la misma.
- 4º—Todo aviso o notificación por parte del Banco con arreglo a este Reglamento, inclusive los avisos que se refieran a cualquier enmienda del mismo se comunicará por correo a la última dirección del arrendatario o a la de cualquiera de sus representantes, que consta en la tarjeta u otro escrito dado al Banco oportunamente, bastando para que se entienda cumplido este requisito, la sola afirmación del Banco, pues no estará obligado a probar el envío de la carta.
- 5º—En el caso que se perdiera cualquier llave de un Apartado, se deberá notificar al Banco, inmediatamente devolviéndose en el acto la llave o llaves compañeras de la pérdida, y el Banco procederá sin demora a cambiar la cerradura del Apartado por cuenta del arrendatario, haciéndose el pago por adelantado, asimismo el arrendatario ha de notificar al Banco inmediatamente cualquier cambio en su dirección.
- 6º—El Departamento de Apartados de Seguridad estará abierto al público todos los días, excepto los domingos y días festivos, de nueve de la mañana a tres de la tarde, menos los sábados que sólo estará abierto hasta el medio día. Podrá el Banco, no obstante, cerrar la Bóveda en cualquier tiempo que juzgue conveniente, por causa de motines o cualquier suceso imprevisto que haga prudente esta medida.
- 7º—El Banco podrá alterar en cualquier tiempo el precio del arrendamiento del Apartado, pero esta alteración no podrá surtir efecto sino después de vencido el término fijado en el contrato y notificado el arrendatario en la forma señalada en el artículo cuarto.
- 8º—La persona que arrienda un Apartado, así como su apoderado, caso que lo haya, dejará su firma en el Banco, para referencia, y éste podrá hacer firmar, para la confrontación, a toda persona que desee abrir su Apartado respectivo.
- 9º—Los alquileres de los Apartados se pagarán por adelantado.



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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

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During a telephonic conversation with Colonel Gates, the Colonel was inquiring concerning the Karpis-Barker gang. I stated that the machine guns found on "Ma" and Fred Barker were being checked now.

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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Director
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, aliases, I.O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, aliases, I.O. #1232;
ET AL - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that Special Agents Murphy, Socey, Dickstein and myself returned to Detroit last night from Toledo, where we had been engaged in investigating various angles of this case. Special Agent Smith of this office together with Agents Melvin, Larrance, Muzzey and Sullivan of the Chicago office, are now stationed in Toledo handling the seven telephone taps. These men can be reached through room 1432, Commodore-Perry Hotel, Toledo, Ohio. I shall keep in close touch with the situation at Toledo and additional men will be immediately dispatched to that point in the event same is deemed necessary.

Special Agents Hall, Trapani, Turner and Manson are handling the four telephone taps at Cleveland, Ohio. Special Agents Michalek and Hopton, who have also been engaged on this assignment, have been taken off and put back on general work. Agent Hall, who is supervising the investigation at Cleveland, is located at the Cleveland Hotel, Cleveland, Ohio.

Very truly yours,

Wm. Larson
Special Agent in Charge

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cc - Chicago
St. Paul

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U. S. Department of Justice
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February 1, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

At 6:45 P.M. on the evening of January 29, 1935, Mr. Coulter from St. Paul advised that Arthur Barker had succeeded in securing the services of an attorney named John Decourcy and that this attorney had secured a power of attorney from Barker to obtain the \$5,000 being maintained in a safe deposit box in Chicago, Illinois. This information was subsequently conveyed to the Director, during a telephonic conversation later the same evening.

E. A. Tamm

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BREMER KIDNAPPING**

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Time 2:57 PM

Re: Bremer case

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Mr. Bayden telephoned and advised that he had received a number of calls from newspaper men in regard to the arrest of Nathan Heller at Havana, Cuba.

I advised Mr. Bayden that I did not know anything about the arrest of this individual; that however we were questioning this individual in regard to the Karpis-Barker gang and that it was very likely that he had been arrested. I stated that I thought any statement to the press should not disclose what case he was being questioned relative to, but that it could be said that he was being questioned in connection with an investigation being conducted by the Division and that the Cuban authorities had cooperated very closely with the Division in this regard.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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February 2, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. Tamm

Time 6:42 PM

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. Wilson of the State Department regarding the holding of Nathaniel Heller by the Cuban authorities, and advised him that I had just talked to Inspector Hanson at Miami; that when our Agents arrived in Havana on January 20, 1935, they contacted with a Mr. Matthews and told him that they were in the city and explained their mission; that they contacted the Cuban authorities and the Cuban Police have been working with them since that time. I advised Mr. Wilson that the arrest of Mr. Heller was not requested by Agents of the Division of Investigation; that our Agents advised the Cuban Police of Heller's background and what he had done; that the Cuban Police stated that they would arrest Heller for investigation which would give an opportunity to our Agents to interrogate him if they wanted to, and that they would hold him for deportation. I further advised Mr. Wilson that Agent Brown had a conference with Mr. Gaffrey; that I had just talked to Agent Brown in Miami, and he was somewhat surprised that there should be any misunderstanding about it, because when he left Mr. Gaffrey, he was perfectly satisfied with the situation; that Mr. Brown is leaving by plane tomorrow morning for Havana to see Mr. Gaffrey.

I advised Mr. Wilson, that in order that there will be no further misunderstanding, Inspector Hanson will leave tomorrow morning by plane for Havana, where he will see Mr. Gaffrey and go over the entire situation with him so that he will be fully informed upon all of the details.

I stated that the Agents, having arrived there January 20, 1935, and having checked in to Mr. Matthews, felt that they were perfectly free to go right ahead, and to work along on the lines that they had been working without keeping the Embassy advised of the developments. I stated that these Agents have been instructed that such procedure is entirely contrary to our wishes here.

- Mr. Nathan
- Mr. Tolson
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- Mr. Baughman
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- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

Mr. Wilson was advised that, although Heller is not being held for us by the Cuban authorities, we are, today, getting out a warrant for him in Florida, charging him with conspiracy to harbor Karpis; that as soon as this warrant is issued, we will notify the State Department formally.

Mr. Wilson stated that he would contact Mr. Gaffrey and advise him of Inspector Hanson's trip to Havana tomorrow for the purpose of explaining the entire situation to him; that the State Department would cooperate with us fully. I advised Mr. Wilson that Inspector Hanson was my personal representative from Washington.

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John Edgar Hoover
Director. JUSTICE
FILE 2

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February 3, 1935.

Time-3:00 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

RE: Bremer Case

Mr. Wilson of the State Department telephoned and advised that he had received a telegram from the American Ambassador at Cuba reading as follows:

"CUBAN POLICE AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN HOLDING MR. MATHEWELL WELLES, AMERICAN CITIZEN, MANAGER OF THE PARK VIEW HOTEL, SINCE NIGHT OF JANUARY 31. THEY STATE THAT HE IS BEING DETAINED AT THE REQUEST OF MCKEE AND BROWN, SPECIAL AGENTS OF OUR DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, FOR INVESTIGATION IN CONNECTION WITH AMERICAN GANGSTERS. NEITHER MCKEE NOR BROWN HAVE COMMUNICATED IN ANY WAY WITH THE EMBASSY OR DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. AMERICAN PRESS CORRESPONDENTS ARE SHOWING MUCH INTEREST IN THE CASE. MR. WELLES IS CALLING UPON THE CONSULAR GENERAL AND THE EMBASSY FOR PROTECTION WHICH ARE CONSIDERABLY EM-BARRASSED BY THE LACK OF INFORMATION. I REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS."

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I advised Mr. Wilson that I could not understand the basis for this telegram, as it was my understanding that Agents Brown and McKee had contacted the Embassy and had been dealing through one of the secretaries there, although I did not know the name of the latter. I explained to Mr. Wilson that Weller had not been taken into custody by our agents or at their request, but voluntarily by the Cuban authorities; that the Cuban authorities had agreed to deport this man as an undesirable alien without any formal demand from the American authorities; and that in view of the above, which was the situation as I understood it, I could not give any explanation for this action of the American Ambassador. I further advised Mr. Wilson that we did not have any Federal process for Weller so far but that we had obtained the close cooperation of the Cuban authorities who had agreed to hold Weller for deportation if we so desired, voluntarily offering to do this. I stated that investigation by our Agents had indicated that Weller was involved as a go-between for the Karpis-Barker gang.

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Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

Mr. Wilson stated that perhaps Agent Brown had only contacted the Embassy in connection with the safety deposit box rented by Karpis at Havana, and I replied that although I was certain that Agent Brown had contacted the Embassy in connection with Weller, I would call Agent Brown and ascertain definitely from him the name of the secretary with whom he had talked concerning this. Mr. Wilson stated that he could be reached at his home, telephone number—

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RE: Bremer Case
Memo- Tamm
2/2/35

093003

Time-5:10 P.M.

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I telephoned Mr. Hanson and inquired as to the status of the case against Heller, advising him of the call from Mr. Wilson of the State Department to the effect that the American Ambassador was inquiring by telegraph and telephone as to the reasons for our actions in Havana and why we had not contacted the Embassy there. Mr. Hanson stated that he did not know the present status of the case.

I instructed Mr. Hanson to get in touch with either Agent Brown or McKee at Havana immediately; that I desired to know the name of the Embassy or Consular official with whom Agent Brown has been dealing, and if he took up with this official the matter of the arrest of Heller, also the reason why the Cuban authorities arrested Heller. I stated that it was the understanding here that the Cuban authorities had agreed to arrest Heller and hold him if the American Embassy was agreeable to it and that Agent Brown had been instructed to proceed along that basis, and therefore I could not understand the reason for the action of the American Ambassador in advising the State Department that he knew nothing of the matter.

I also advised Mr. Hanson that I was desirous of obtaining as soon as possible a warrant for Heller and to have Agent Brown attend to this also. Mr. Hanson stated that he had just talked with the United States Attorney at Miami, who stated that he was agreeable to issuing a warrant immediately for the arrest of Heller on the grounds of conspiracy to harbor Karpis, and that Heller would be named as one of the conspirators along with Joe Adams and Harry Randall; that this warrant could be based on the fact that Heller was in company with Mrs. Karpis in Miami at the El Comodore Hotel. I advised Mr. Hanson that if there were enough facts to substantiate a warrant, one should be obtained immediately; and to advise me when the warrant was issued in order that I might advise the State Department.

Time-6:15 P.M.

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Mr. Hanson telephoned and stated that he had just talked with Agent Brown; that Brown had advised him that upon his arrival at Havana on January 20, he had contacted Mr. Matthews, the secretary to the Ambassador and merely advised him of their arrival in Havana; that later Brown had talked with [redacted] at Havana.

[redacted] and that [redacted] had advised Agent Brown not to contact the Embassy or the Consulate on any confidential matters as there would be a leak there. Shortly thereafter, Agents Brown and McKee learned that McDonald, who is wanted by the Division for passing Bremer ransom money, had been arrested by the Cuban authorities for an alleged swindle of a Cuban citizen and that upon presentation of letters from Senators Vandenberg and Coudens of Michigan

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to Mr. Matthews, the secretary to the Ambassador, McDonald was ordered released by Mr. Matthews. Mr. Hanson stated that they are unable to establish whether McDonald passed the Bremer ransom money, but they do know that he did pass many five and ten dollar bills; that the Cuban authorities wanted to deport him but Matthews did not want to take that action.

Mr. Hanson stated that they were going to try to do the same to McDonald as to Heller on a conspiracy case of harboring. With reference to Heller, Mr. Hanson stated that Heller extended assistance to a man named Wagner, an alias of Karpis; that he did not know it was Karpis; that Heller rented a house recently for Wagner on the beach about one hundred and twenty-five miles from Havana; that he bought an automobile and did other favors for him. Mr. Hanson stated that so far as he can prove, he has no evidence that Heller knew that he was doing these things for Karpis.

I inquired of Mr. Hanson if our Agents advised the Embassy that Heller was to be arrested and he replied that they did not. I also asked Mr. Hanson if our Agents asked the Cuban authorities to arrest Heller, and Mr. Hanson stated that they did not; that after the situation was explained to the Cuban authorities, the latter stated they would arrest Heller to find out if he was the man who harbored Karpis, and if so, they would deport him as an undesirable alien and our men could interrogate him after his arrest.

With reference to the story that the Cuban authorities are holding Heller upon our request, Mr. Hanson stated that there is no truth in the story. Mr. Hanson stated that they are holding him for investigation; and that they also want to deport him. Mr. Hanson stated that Agent Brown talked to the Ambassador between 1:00 and 2:00 o'clock P. M. today and he informed Agent Brown that he was perfectly willing that Heller be held. I advised Mr. Hanson that Mr. Caffrey called the Secretary of State this afternoon about 5:00 o'clock and protested very vigorously over the conduct of our Agents in coming in there and doing these things without asking him anything about it, and stated that it had caused him considerable embarrassment with the Cuban Government as well as with the press;

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and that Mr. Caffrey made a personal call by long distance to Washington for instructions as to what to do. Mr. Hanson stated that Agent Brown talked to Mr. Caffrey this afternoon and when he left he was satisfied that everything was alright.

I instructed Mr. Hanson to go to Havana and explain the situation to Mr. Caffrey, and tell him that there was no intention to overlook or ignore him; that he should explain just who this man, Heller, is and in the meantime, get a warrant in Florida for Heller's arrest. I advised Mr. Hanson that no action should be taken in Cuba or in any other foreign country without first making the contact with the Ambassador. I stated that in case the Embassy can't be trusted, this Office should be communicated with; that I haven't heard from

RE: Bremer Case

Re: News

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From Mr. McKee since they have been here. I sent a daily report in by wire; that I also sent a daily report from the field and of the investigation. I also instructed Mr. McKee to call Agents Evans and McKee to keep in touch with the situation there; that if they have any trouble there, they should contact me and I would attempt to solve it and get the State Department.

Mr. McKee stated that he was going to leave in the morning and return tomorrow night; that Agent McNeill would look after the field and at the station and Agent Fitzgerald would stand by and keep up the things while he was away.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice 3:00 P.M.
Washington, D. C.

February 2, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer case.

While talking to Mr. Alt on other matters, he advised that Agent McKee had just telephoned him from Havana and informed him that the American Consul was evidently perturbed over the fact that Division Agents had been officially active in Cuba without reporting to him. I asked Mr. Alt whether my instructions concerning the necessity for the Agents' reporting to the Ambassador had been conveyed to them and he stated that he had instructed Brown and McKee in accord with my previous instructions, to contact the proper State Department representative and had suggested to them that H. Freeman Matthews, First Secretary at the Embassy had been cooperative with Division representatives in the past. I advised Mr. Alt that the Division had just received some indication of the manner in which this situation had been handled and that the information concerning the attitude of the Ambassador had been brought to the Director's attention.

Mr. Alt stated that McKee informed him that the American Consul had requested that the Agents call upon him and advised that the newspapers in Havana had information concerning the fact that Heller, an American citizen, was in custody.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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DISAPPOINTED THAT AGENTS DID NOT CONTACT HIM PRIOR
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HELLER TO CUBAN AUTHORITIES HE, WAS INFORMED AGENTS WOULD
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THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH

January 21, 1935

Time - 10:52 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Re: Bremer case

Mr. McMahon telephoned with regard to his previous conversations relative to making the indictment which has been returned at St. Paul, Minnesota, in the above matter public.

Mr. McMahon stated that United States Attorney Sullivan at St. Paul had telephoned him and stated that he had talked with the Judge; that the Judge had told him that he should be consistent in regard to his policy of never making public any Secret indictment which was returned; that, however, as long as the Department felt the way we do about it, it would be perfectly all right with him for us to make the announcement either at Washington headquarters or the St. Paul Office.

I told Mr. McMahon that it would be better to have the announcement released from Washington, and that I would immediately prepare the necessary memorandum relative thereto.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
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Time - 3:20 P. M.

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

February 5, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM.

Pursuant to your instructions I telephoned the Philadelphia office with reference to the three guns recovered at Atlantic City, New Jersey, subsequent to the escape of Karpis and Campbell on January 20, 1935.

I talked with Special Agent Fallon, who advised that the guns were still in the possession of the Philadelphia office and that he would immediately forward them by express to the Division for appropriate Laboratory examination.

Agent Fallon also advised that a 57-page report, covering the investigation to date in this matter, is being mailed to the Division today.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
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Supervisor *RR*

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414 Philadelphia Saving Fund Bldg.,
Philadelphia, Pa.

January 26, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
370 Lexington Ave.,
New York City, N.Y.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, F.O. 1212,
FUGITIVE, et al; EDWARD G. BREMER, Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

With reference to the above entitled matter,
please be advised that three guns were abandoned by fugitives Alvin
Karpis and Harry Campbell at the time of their recent escape at
Atlantic City, N.J. These guns are as follows:

- 1- 22 cal. long barrel Colt Automatic Pistol,
Woodman model, with partridge sights.
This gun is #93712.
- 1- 22 cal. Winchester Model 63 Automatic Rifle,
#124128.
- 1- 32 or 33 cal. Winchester Rifle, Model 1895,
lever action, #124112-2.

On the barrel of the last gun appears the figures "33 W.C.F." Near
the trigger on the middle part of the stock appears the figure 32.

Will you kindly conduct appropriate investigation
at the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, New Haven, Conn., and the
Colt Mfg. Co., Hartford, Conn., to determine what records they have of
the sale of these guns.

Very truly yours,

R.O. Harvey,
Special Agent in Charge.

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January 26, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With reference to the letter addressed to the Division under date of January 21, 1935 by Special Agent in Charge Vetterli of the St. Louis Office, concerning the transfer of W. L. Buchanan to Chicago, you are advised that I discussed this matter with Mr. Tolson on Thursday afternoon, January 24th, at which time I told Mr. Tolson that I believed it inadvisable to transfer Buchanan at the present time, since the surveillance which he was maintaining over the residence of the home of Willie Harrison could not be readily assumed by another agent. At that time, Mr. Tolson stated that Buchanan would be permitted to remain at St. Louis.

Buchanan has become well acquainted with members of the Harrison household and has established himself in their confidence to such an extent that he is taking the father of Willie Harrison for automobile rides and recently attended a party given at a hotel in St. Louis, with members of the family. I do not believe that Buchanan should be removed from this point at the present time and did not know of the telegram addressed to the St. Louis Office on January 25, 1935 until this morning. I respectfully recommend that Buchanan be permitted to remain in St. Louis for an indefinite period, pending the apprehension of Willie Harrison.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm

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U. S. Department of Justice
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Buffalo, New York

February 5, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., NW,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I. O. #1218;
DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, I. O. #1232, etal
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir: 2/8/35

In accordance with the instructions contained in Division letter of February 2, 1935, please be advised that the temporary wanted notices prepared and issued by the Division on Fred^O Barker were withdrawn today by letter from the following Police Departments in this district:

Albany
Buffalo
Rochester

Schenectady
Syracuse

It is being assumed by the writer that the instructions contained in the Division letter mean to cancel and not to withdraw physically, by personal contact with the said Police Departments, the said temporary wanted notices.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

January 19, 1935.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the transfers of Special Agents J. H. Rice and H. R. Duffey to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Portland, Oregon, respectively, the work of these agents is in such a condition at the present time that they might proceed to their respective headquarters without affecting the work of this office in any way. However, owing to the emergency which arose by the transfer of a very important prisoner to this district, it is believed advisable and absolutely necessary that these agents remain at St. Paul for the time being, or possibly until the arrival of Special Agent Owens and Special Agent Glenn, who have been ordered transferred here.

I will appreciate an expression from the Division in connection with the above if the Division holds a different view.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd
D. M. LADD, *cc*
Special Agent in Charge.

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DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
January 22, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON.

Mr. Nathan.....
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With regard to the letter received from the Saint Paul Office dated January 19, 1935 and the Director's notation placed on your routing slip, please be informed that I telephonically communicated with Acting Special Agent in Charge Coulter and made inquiry as to whether Doc Barker was not in the custody of the United States Marshal and further whether any agents were now assigned to guard him. He stated that Barker was in the custody of the Marshal and that no agents were assigned to this detail, but they did have three other persons in custody in connection with that case; namely, Allderton, Bolton and Farmer, but that the case was being presented to the grand jury this afternoon and there was a likelihood of their being indicted in the near future, that it required the services of some agents to keep a constant watch on these individuals, but that this would be for only a day or so, with the consequent result that Special Agents Rice and Duffey, under orders of transfer, should be able to leave Saint Paul some time tomorrow afternoon. I requested Coulter to send us a wire immediately upon their departure.

Respectfully,

T. D. Quinn

T. D. Quinn.

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☐ Miss Sheaffer
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Mr. Nathan.....☒
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Recommend approval

Owens' transfer has

been canceled.

*I do not see why. The prisoner
is now in our custody and is
in custody of the Marshal.
Call for physical & get more detail.
J.C. Ry. Clyde Tolson.*

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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February 2, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

In compliance with the request of Mr. Newby,
I am transmitting herewith two copies of abstract of
criminal record and description as appearing in the
files of the Identification Unit of Ed Neary, alias
Edward Regan, #271, Police Department, Kansas City,
Missouri.

Respectfully,

L. C. Schilder

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

January 26, 1935.

EAT:CEK

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR.

Time: 1:30 PM

Re Bremer case.

Mr. Alt telephoned and stated that in telephonic conversation with Assistant Director Nathan at St. Paul, the latter had stated that in his opinion it would be alright to send the \$14,000.00 and the diamonds to St. Paul by express, providing the former could be insured for its full amount, and that the car should be driven to Savannah, Georgia, in order to get it out of the state of Florida. Mr. Alt stated that Mr. Nathan had requested him to get authority from the Division before these moves were taken however.

I inquired as to the purpose of this movement and Mr. Alt stated that he did not know the reason for Mr. Nathan's suggestion that the money and diamonds be forwarded to the St. Paul office.

I advised Mr. Alt that he should go ahead and forward the above articles in accordance with Mr. Nathan's suggestion and that the car could be taken to Savannah.

Respectfully,

E.A. Tamm

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*What is this being
done for? I can understand
about car but I can't see
why we are taking any interest
in money & diamonds.
J. E. H.*

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 30, 1935

9:30 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

With reference to the \$17,000 in currency and several diamond rings which were recovered at Ocala, Florida from the bodies of Kate and Fred Berker, after they had been exterminated by Division Agents, I called Mr. Alt at Jacksonville and ascertained that he had sent the money and rings by express to the Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul Office. Mr. Alt stated that he talked to Mr. Nathan at St. Paul late last week concerning the disposition to be made of these articles and Mr. Nathan advised him that he would confer with the United States Attorney and see what disposition he desired made of these items. Mr. Alt states that Mr. Nathan subsequently called him and told him to forward the money and rings to the St. Paul Office if this procedure had the Division's approval. Mr. Alt called me on January 26th (Saturday) and advised that he had conferred with Mr. Nathan at St. Paul concerning the disposition of these articles and that it was desired there that they be transmitted to the St. Paul Office. I advised Mr. Alt that in accord with Mr. Nathan's instructions it would be satisfactory to transmit these items by express to the St. Paul Office.

Respectfully,



E. A. Tamm

This was bad action. We should have had nothing to do with this. Sec 29 of manual is still in force & effect.

J. E. N.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

EAT:CDW

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

February 2, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

Re: Bremer case

Mr. Connelley telephoned and informed that they now have Munroe at the office; that he is going back to Munroe's place to see what he can get there; that work will start there Monday morning. As to the rest of the material, Mr. Connelley stated that he did not think there was anything of any importance there, stating that there is nothing to indicate that the gang is there. Mr. Connelley stated he understands that about ten days ago the Sheriff went out and went through all the place; that in view of this, the prospects there are rather doubtful. Mr. Connelley stated that the best thing to do, in his opinion, is to leave Agents Murphy, Melvin, LaFrance and Sullivan there, and for him to return to Chicago with Agents White, Barber, Madala and McDade. I stated that this procedure would be all right, as there appears to be no need for his remaining there; that the Division would plan on his return to Chicago with the four above named Agents.

I stated that the Division is still trying to get statements from Winstead, McRae and Woltz. Mr. Connelley stated that he called this matter to Mr. Ladd's attention the day he left, but that Mr. Ladd has probably been tied up on other matters; that he would try to get a report in tomorrow on the work down in Florida. I advised Mr. Connelley that the Division is desirous of getting the above mentioned statements as soon as possible.

Mr. Connelley advised that there is ~~some~~ relative to ~~Mc-~~ ~~that it appears that Mc-~~ ~~did not get any return address~~ ~~that this letter~~ seem to indicate that he is in that vicinity.

I advised Mr. Connelley that Agent Brown is going to Miami this afternoon to talk to the United States Attorney there; that we have some telegrams and other communications between Adams and Heller, and it appears to be a fairly good case, in the opinion of the Attorney. I also advised him that the Cuban authorities are anxious to deport Heller, so that we will be able to have him in Florida to try him.

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612 Marine Trust Bldg.
Buffalo, N. Y.

Feb. 8, 1935

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Mrs. Margaret Wakeford
114 Simcoe St.
East Hamilton, Ont., Can.

Dear Madam:

By reference from the Chief of Police at Chicago, Ill., I am in receipt of your communication dated Jan. 24, 1935, and note therein that you believe you might be the wife of one Harry Campbell, who is being sought by this Division.

You will please find enclosed herewith a copy of an Identification Order, issued by the Division of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, bearing the photograph of the Harry Campbell being sought.

It will be appreciated if you will please notify this office by return mail whether the man whose picture appears on this Identification Order is the man whom you state you married under the name of Harry William Wakeford.

Please permit me to assure you that the Division of Investigation and the writer will deeply appreciate your cooperation in the premises.

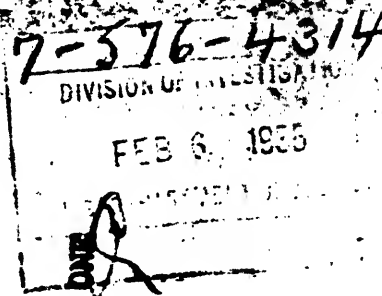
Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA**

REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILL.	DATE WHEN MADE Jan. 8, 1935	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/11/35 to 1/15/35	REPORT MADE BY J. CONNELLEY
SUBJECT ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. 1003 DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, I.O. 1004 EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Based upon information from Monte Carter, Agents from Chicago proceeded Jacksonville, Ocala, and Oklawaha, Fla. at which latter place house occupied by Kate and Fred Barker located 1/15/35. Harry Campbell and Winona Burdett had left the previous Sunday and were expected to return that night, January 15, 1935. House was surrounded 3:30 am 1/16/35 and at 4 am the persons therein were invited out of the house, and such invitation resulted in apparently both Kate and Fred Barker firing at Agents with .30 caliber and machine guns, and automatic pistol. In the resulting fire Agents to protect themselves against this fire, Kate and Fred Barker were killed 1/16/35. \$14,000 in \$1000 bills, and other small amounts of money recovered from them, as well as Buick coupe automobile, which have been disposed of on subpoena from St. Paul. Contents of house examined and various guns recovered and forwarded to the Division for examination. Various persons were interviewed as to the appearance of Winona Burdett, Harry Campbell, Slim Gray and Doc Barker, at Oklawaha to visit Kate and Fred Barker previously, Campbell and Winona Burdett having lived with them for a considerable time. Continuation of interview had with Winona Burdett and Dolores Delaney at Philadelphia 1/21 and 22, 1935 set out in this report.

DETAILS:

REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent K. H. McIntire, dated Chicago, Ill., January 23, 1935.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i>	7-576-4315	RECORDED AND INDEXED FEB 6 1935 A.M.	FILED FEB 13 1935
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DETAILS:

In the report of reference page 19, there is included memorandum covering admissions of WILLIAM BRYAN BOLTON alias MOWIE CARTER, which were made as a result of questioning of him by Special Agents E. D. Brown, J. L. Madala, and Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, this party having taken a particular liking to Special Agent E. D. Brown, after Special Agent in Charge Connelley had given him certain assurances of fair play in connection with any statements he might make. It is noted that Bolton states that when he went to Miami in December, 1934, and returned about January 2, 1935, he did not contact any of the members of the gang in Florida, other than WILLIE HARRISON, who accompanied him on the trip. Therefore their exact location was unknown to him. However, he furnished certain definite information which indicated the location in Florida of the gang, stating that he (Bolton) and Willie Harrison, in proceeding north about thirty to fifty miles south of Macon, Georgia, met SLIM GRAY and DOC BARKER on the road at a point which would be approximately six to eight hours drive north of the place where they had been located in Florida, and where Doc and Slim had visited with Kate and Fred Barker; that they were located on a fresh water lake, somewhere near Jacksonville, Florida; that there was good deer hunting and good fishing; that they were interested in an old alligator known throughout the community as Old Joe, or Big Joe, and that they had tried to catch this alligator; that they had a motor boat on the lake; that the lake was near to Highway 41; that Fred Barker had a small Buick coupe for which the tags had been obtained in Tennessee.

On January 12, 1935, together with Agents E. D. Brown, R. L. Jones and C. G. Campbell, Special Agent in Charge Connelley proceeded to Jacksonville, Florida via plane, arriving late that night, and contacted the office, for the possibility of obtaining the name of some informant who might be familiar with the locality in the vicinity of Ocala, Florida.

On Sunday the Agents proceeded to Ocala, Florida, inasmuch as a map had been found among the effects of Doc Barker, with a circle about the town of Ocala, and also the territory which would take in Lake Weir. Agents Campbell and Jones checked Lake Bryant, about 20 miles east of Ocala, and Agent Brown and Special Agent in Charge Connelley checked Lake Weir and Lake Bowers, about 15 miles south of Ocala, for various circumstances listed, in an undercover manner, there being several places located on Highway 41 along Lake Weir, namely Weirsdale, East Lake, Lake Weir and Oklawaha. However, there are at the present time numerous tourists in this vicinity who are not familiar with the country, and no definite information could be obtained to identify the locality where subjects were staying.

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On Monday, January 14, 1935, through former Deputy Sheriff O. L. Matthews, now jailer at Jacksonville, Florida, contact was had with MILTON DUNNING, a former Deputy Sheriff considered absolutely reliable, and a native who lives in Ocala, and he advised that an alligator of the description of the one in question was located at Lake Weir, on Highway 11, and also that a motor boat was located on this lake. Thereafter he made inquiry at the lake, of a friend who lives there, and ascertained that Old Joe, the alligator in this lake had disappeared about 1925; that he could learn nothing which would indicate that subjects were on this lake. He also made inquiry confidentially at Gainesville, without success.

On January 15, 1935, informant Dunning, with Agent Jones, proceeded to Lake Weir, and covered same in a boat, Lake Weir being about four and one half miles wide and about six miles long. On January 15, 1935, Agent Brown and Special Agent in Charge Connelley made confidential inquiry of J. T. Greenlee, Postmaster at Ocala, and while he could not identify any of the pictures, he indicated that persons known as Summers and Blackburn, had some time previously, the house of CARSON BRADFORD, which was quite a nice place, and had its own private motor boat. He indicated they had been receiving a little mail, and a number of newspapers, the latter being wrapped so that the paper enclosed could not be identified. He recommended one FRANK BARBER, who lives on the lane leading to the Carson Bradford place, and this party was contacted and arrangements made to pay him for his services, he being a former employee of the Leavenworth Penitentiary. He identified partially the pictures of Kate Barker and Fred Barker and Harry Campbell, as being the parties now living in the house, Campbell being identified as the party who was using the name of Summers, and Fred Barker as using the name of Blackburn. He stated that Summers had left several days before, in his car, with a woman he was living with at this place, but was expected to return to Ocala on Tuesday night, January 15, 1935. He indicated that he had learned this in conversation with Blackburn, who was still at the place. He indicated that Blackburn was driving a Buick coupe.

Special Agent in Charge Connelley, together with Agent Brown, observed the place discreetly, and noted KATE BARKER and FRED BARKER, who were identified from their pictures, on the place, and thereafter made arrangements to immediately withdraw informant Dunning and Agent Jones from the lake and that vicinity, and plans were made to raid the place the following morning, with the hope that Harry Campbell and the woman, advised by Winona Burdett, would return to the place that night. All inquiry and observations were carried on in such a manner as to insure these people not learning of the identity of Agents, making the all night delay before raiding safe.

and shown to the various Agents who were to take part in the raid, and each was designated to his particular post. In this connection there is being forwarded to the Division a rough diagram of the location of the various houses on this property, together with the respective positions of the Agents who took part in the raid on June 1, 1935. These have previously been forwarded to the Division a number of pictures of the grounds, the buildings, the interior and exterior, which pictures show the action which was necessary to get these parties out of the house.

On the morning of January 16, 1935, at 8.30 A.M. the various Agents assigned in this connection were moved into their positions, to prevent the escape of anyone from the house, and thereafter Agents waited until daybreak, at 7 A.M., to invite these people out of the house.

In order to insure no one being hurt should any shooting be necessary in connection with the apprehension of these parties, Agent J. P. McLaughlin was stationed a considerable distance west of the property in question on Highway 41, to stop the automobiles and divert them from this road, should any shooting start, and Agent T. G. Melvin was located to the east on Highway 41, beyond this property, for the same purpose. Agents C. B. Winstead, G. C. Moltz, G. G. Campbell and D. P. Sullivan were stationed along Highway 41 at the north edge of the property, in order to cover the exit of anyone from this house to the north or east, Agents E. D. Brown and S. K. McKee being located behind a cottage to the east of the property, to cover the exit of anyone through the lane in that direction, and Agents J. G. White, R. L. Jones, A. A. Muzzey, J. L. Madala, E. M. McNamee, and Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley were stationed at the south west corner of the property in order to invite these people out of the house. At the south west corner of the property was located a small cottage, and two small garages, at a distance of approximately 30 yards from the house, and as soon as it was light enough to observe anyone leaving the house, Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley called to the occupants of the house, advising them that we were Federal officers, being Agents of the Division of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, and that they were to leave the house one at a time, and provided they did so they would not be injured, otherwise if they did not immediately leave the house it would be necessary to go the place to drive them out. For a period of approximately fifteen minutes no answer was received from the people in the house, although it was noted that apparently someone was moving about within. After about 20 minutes a tear gas shell was shot into the house, and at this time a woman who later proved to be Kate Barker, screamed. Thereafter everything was quiet in the house. During the interval above described various other Agents called to them, in order that they might definitely know that we were Federal officers. However,

no response was obtained. At this time S.A.C. Connolly again called to the Barkers, addressing them by name, and asked them to come out, and the woman in the house called out in a rather distinct tone of voice, "All right, go ahead". When this remark was made, it was interpreted as meaning that they were planning to come out, and at this time S.A.C. Connolly advised them to come ahead, and that Freddie should come out first. Immediately thereafter a person in the upstairs far front window fired approximately 25 to 30 shots from a machine gun at Special Agent in Charge Connolly, who was approximately 30 yards from the house, and also someone, who later, from the circumstances indicated was Fred Barker, fired rifle from the front lower part of the house, through the front door. As soon as the firing started from within the house, Special Agent J. C. White, who was backing up S.A.C. Connolly in his conversations with these parties from behind a tree about 33 yards from the house, immediately shot into the house with a .301 rifle. S.A.C. Connolly fell back to position to shoot with a .30-06 rifle, and at this time the parties in the house concentrated their fire on the tree behind which Agent White was located. Machine gun fire from the house thereafter was spread over the side of the yard and through a little grove in which were located Agents Jones and Muzzey, who had also started firing into the house. Agents Madala and Molada who were located slightly farther behind a hedge, also fired into the house, and at this time apparently the party who was then firing the machine gun from the upstairs south-west corner of the house, spread his fire farther, so that he covered the area at a distance of about 300 yards to the west of the house, the apparently such firing being at the Agents he believed to be located behind the cottage and small garages, and beyond this over their heads, his firing extending approximately to the place where Agent McLaughlin was located on the highway. At this time, in order to relieve the pressure on Agent White who was behind the tree about 33 yards from the house, S.A.C. Connolly moved into position in front of the south west corner of the house, around the small cottage, and after several shots through the front of the house, was answered by a number of machine gun bursts in that direction, and thereafter at intervals the firing continued from the house, and observation of the screens in the house later showed that they had fired from windows on all four sides of the house, apparently endeavoring to locate some of the Agents, and such fire was returned by the Agents for a period of approximately two hours.

As the firing continued it became evident that the parties in the house were endeavoring to conserve their ammunition, as they lengthened the periods between their fire, and reduced the number of shots in the bursts coming from the house. Apparently while firing from the east side of the house, these parties shot about four bullets from a .33 caliber Winchester rifle, through the house, of Mrs. A. T. Westbury, whose house is located along the lane at the east side of the Carson-Bradford property, toward the lake,

the party firing apparently being of the opinion that some of the Agents were located at this point. During this firing Agents Muzzey and McDade endeavored to fire tear gas shells into the house from the west, and we were successful in getting approximately four tear gas shells into the house. Although due to the screens and mis-fire, the gas shells were not placed in the upper south west corner room. The principal firing into the house, which was concentrated on the south west corner, where subjects finally located in the upper bedroom, was done by Agent J. G. White with a .351 rifle, Agent E. J. Jones with the 30-06 rifle, Agent Muzzey with a shotgun, Agent Madala with a machine gun, Agent McDade with a machine gun, and Special Agent in Charge Connelley with a 30-06 Springfield rifle. It is estimated that the Agents fired approximately 800 rounds into the house, and that the subjects fired out of the house about 250 rounds. However, in this connection, a portion of the firing by the Agents into the house was done after the firing had ceased from within. The Agents on Highway 41 and to the east of the property also shot into the house from the north and east side thereof.

After the firing had ceased from within the house, a reasonable period of time was allowed to elapse, and after checking all of the Agents who were taking part in the raid to establish that no one had been hurt, WILLIE WOODBURY, the colored man, about 25 years of age, who had been working on the place for Fred Barker at five dollars per week, and who was living in the small cottage at the south west corner of the property with his wife, was asked if he would call to Fred Barker, whom he knew as Mr. Blackburn, and invite him out of the house if he were injured, in order that he might be taken care of, assuring him that he would not be harmed if he came out in the proper manner. Willie Woodbury agreed to go up and see if he could talk with these parties if they were still alive, and at this time S. A. C. Connelley stood in front of the house while the colored man went around to the back door and front door, and called to these parties to come out, and also asked them if he could assist them in any way, and finding both doors locked, he then agreed to go into the house and see if the people were injured in such manner that they could not answer him, and at this time S. A. C. Connelley stood in front of the house. Woodbury entered the front door and went upstairs, not finding anyone downstairs, and entered the room which had been occupied by Kate Barker. He called to S. A. C. Connelley that there was no one there. He thereafter entered the south west corner bedroom which had been the room of Fred Barker. However, on this particular night Barker had moved a cot down to the front room and was sleeping on same with his head at the front door, apparently to intercept anyone who might call, and this being the point apparently from which he first fired with the .33 caliber Winchester rifle. After entering the room Woodward called out to S. A. C. Connelley: "They are both up here". S. A. C. Connelley then asked what they were doing, and he advised that "they were both dead".

Upon entering the house it was ascertained that they had apparently fired from the downstairs through the window and front door with a .30 caliber Winchester rifle, and that they had fired from the windows in all four directions from all the rooms on the second floor, there being four bedrooms in the house. Kate Barker and Fred Barker were found dead in the south-west corner bedroom. Fred Barker was lying in the middle of the room, face down, with a .45 automatic under him and a machine gun with a 50 shot drum beyond his left hand, and Kate Barker was found in the north-east corner of this same room, lying on her back, with a machine gun at her left hand with a 100 shot drum on same. There was also found a 50 shot drum in the bedroom of Kate Barker, which had evidently been completely fired; a 50 shot drum in the gun apparently used by Fred Barker was entirely empty, and a 100 shot drum on the gun found beside Kate Barker had approximately 60 or 40 shots fired from same.

Due to the lapse of time between the first burst of machine gun fire from the house, and the second burst, it is believed that Fred Barker probably reloaded the 50 shot drum at least once. In connection with the .45 caliber automatic found under the body of Fred Barker, same was loaded with a clip containing seven bullets, and one bullet which was still in the chamber, had been fired from same, and a shot from a 30-06 rifle had cut away part of the steel butt of this gun, causing it to jam on this one shot and making it useless. Fred Barker, judging from the position in which he fell, was apparently facing the front of the house or the south-west window on the west side of the house, and had ten bullets from either a .351 rifle or a 30-06 rifle in his left shoulder and chest, and one wound through the back of the head, which latter wound was probably the fatal wound, and Kate Barker had three bullets in the chest, one of which apparently had gone through the heart. All of these bullets had passed completely through the bodies. The firing of these subjects was particularly close to Agents J. C. White, A. A. Muzzey and R. L. Jones, who were located in a position towards which most of the firing by the subjects was concentrated.

After the firing ceased and the bodies had been located, same were not touched until the necessary arrangements could be made for the Coroner to view them, and shortly thereafter Sheriff from the surrounding counties appeared on the scene and offered their cooperation. Also, Wallace E. Sturgis, County Attorney, A. P. Baile, District Attorney, as well as A. F. Meadows, Prosecuting Attorney, and L. E. Futch, County Judge, who acts as Coroner, arrived on the scene. Prior to the time the shooting had stopped Sheriff S. C. Thomas arrived in the vicinity, and he assisted in keeping the traffic away from highway 41, while there was any shooting going on. Mr. Futch and the Sheriff then arranged for a Coroner's jury to view the bodies and arrangements were thereafter made to take them to an undertaking parlor in Ocala, Florida, where they were prepared for burial.

The Coroner's hearing was adjourned until 11 A.M. January 17, 1935, at which time S.A.C. Connelley appeared as a witness for the Government, and advised them of the identity of the two deceased persons, the reason for which they were being sought by the Division, as well as the criminal record of Fred Barker; that when these persons had been invited to come out of the house on the morning of January 15, 1935, after Agents had identified themselves, they had opened fire upon the Agents. Thereafter the Coroner's jury made its findings to the effect that Fred Barker and Kate Barker came to their death at the hands of Agents of the United States Department of Investigation, in the protection of their own lives, while the said Kate Barker and Fred Barker were resisting arrest.

Certified copies of the Coroner's jury report were obtained and one forwarded to the Division under date of January 17, 1935.

The fingerprints of Kate and Fred Barker were obtained by Special Agent J. L. Madala and forwarded to the Division.

A Buick coupe automobile was recovered in the garage at this place, as well as certain amounts of money on the body of Fred Barker and in the purse of Kate Barker, as will hereinafter be covered in more detail by the reporting Agents. There was also found in the house at this time a number of guns, and a quantity of ammunition, which will also be covered in detail by the reporting Agents who examined same, and arranged for forwarding of this equipment to the Division.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent John L. Madala at Ocala, Florida, on January 16, 1935:

On the above date, this Agent arrived at Ocala, Florida, and immediately proceeded to the Munroe Hospital for the purpose of ascertaining whether Dolores Delaney, wife of Alvin Karpis, was, or had been a patient in the maternity ward of said institution. In this connection, it will be stated that the previous information had been received by the Chicago Division Office, that Dolores Delaney is in a pregnant condition and it was expected that she would give birth to a child around this time.

Agent interviewed Mr. John A. Bowman, Superintendent of the Munroe Hospital, and he advised, after searching the hospital records, that they had had few maternity cases within the past few months. With the aid of Mrs. Lillian Clarkson and Mary C. Marshall, Mr. Bowman and Agent went over all maternity cases during the above period and it developed that all of these cases were local and each patient was known personally either by Mr. Bowman, Miss Marshall or Mrs. Clarkson.

Agent exhibited photographs of the various members of the Barker-Karpis mob to the above named individuals, but they could not make any identifications as of persons who had visited the hospital.

On January 15, 1935, this Agent contacted Mr. H. D. Leavengood, Postmaster at Ocala, Florida, with a view of determining whether any members of the Barker-Karpis mob were receiving mail there in care of General Delivery, or had rented a post office box since September of 1934. Mr. Leavengood referred Agent to H. L. Booker, who is in charge of the renting of post office boxes.

Photographs of the subjects in this case were exhibited to this individual, and Mr. Booker readily selected the photograph of Harry Campbell as appearing familiar to him; however, he could not associate this identification with any particular incident. The names of those persons who have rented post office boxes during the last three months, were carefully gone over with Mr. Booker and it developed that Mr. Booker is personally acquainted with every renter during that period.

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On January 15, 1935, at 8 A.M. Special Agent R. L. JONES proceeded from Ocala, Florida to Lake Weir with confidential informant MILTON DURNING, per instructions of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley. After looking over the north side of the lake from Barnes boat house to a fruit cannery company about two miles up the shore of the lake, Agent Jones decided that he would go back to Barnes place and rent a motor boat and go fishing, as he had not learned very much of interest up to that time. However, the informant had learned that some strange people had moved in the Bradford home, which was near the Barnes boat house. Agent Jones and the informant was unable to locate the exact place, without asking questions which they did not wish to ask at the boat house at that time. Agent Jones and the informant rented a boat and fishing tackle, and fished up and down the shore of Lake Weir, from Barnes boat house to the cannery, as they knew that the house was in that neighborhood. They were unable to see any automobiles, or anything which would indicate exactly which house they lived in. However, the informant was positive that it was near this boat house. Agent Jones returned down the shore, after having been out until 12:30 or 1 P.M.

After arriving at the boat house Mr. Barnes told Agent Jones that a gentleman named Brown had been there, and left a request with him for Jones to have lunch with him in Ocala. Knowing that this was Special Agent R. D. Brown, Agent proceeded to Ocala immediately, and learned that the desired information had already been obtained by Agent R. D. Brown and Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley.

Memorandum for Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley
covering activities of Special Agent J. C. White during the period
January 16, 17, 18, and 19, 1935.

At one A.M. on January sixteenth, Agent left Jackson-ville, accompanied by the other Agents assigned to this case and arrived at about four miles north of Ocala, where they were met by Special Agent in Charge Connelley and plans were laid to raid the place of Carson Bradford on Lake Weir, which was occupied by one J. C. Blackburn and a Mrs. Blackburn, supposed to be the mother of the former.

All Agents got into position around the Carson Bradford house at about six A.M. on January sixteenth. This Agent was in position northwest of the house, near Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, and Special Agents R. L. Jones, A. A. Muzzey, John L. McDade and T. M. McDade. About seven A.M. Special Agent in Charge Connelley called upon the occupants of this house to come out and surrender and no one would be injured; that the house was surrounded by Agents of the United States Department of Justice. No response was heard from the house and this Agent then called upon the occupants to come out and surrender, informing that the house was surrounded by Special Agents of the United States Department of Justice, and still no response was heard from the house.

Special Agent in Charge Connelley then instructed Agents Muzzey and McDade to fire tear gas projectiles into the house. Two or three projectiles were fired against the house, but they failed to go into the house, and about that time someone from the upper southwest window of the house began firing what seemed to be a Thompson submachine gun, the bullets kicking up the sand directly in front of Special Agent in Charge Connelley, who was lying in a prone position near an old outhouse. Just prior to this burst of shots coming from the house, Agent thought he heard a woman say, "What are you going to do?", as if she were talking to someone else in the house. This Agent then began firing at this window. A few minutes later this fire was directed towards Agent, who was behind an oak tree, near the outhouse, about twenty-five steps from the door to the front of the house; then some shots came from somewhere downstairs on the west side of the house, striking the outhouse, which was to Agent's left rear. Agent then concentrated his shots on the front door and windows, also on the upstairs and downstairs windows on the north side. The firing continued from the house, both from the north upstairs windows and the windows from the front of the house, which was to the west. Later, Agent heard shots which seemed to be fired from the inside at the rear of the house. These shots were evidently directed against

the Agents who were in the rear and to the east of the house. Later, shots again came from the upstairs rooms to the front and the north side of the house. All Agents on this side of the house then began shooting at these windows and doors. There was then a lull in the shooting and an attempt was again made to fire other tear gas projectiles into the house from the north side, which was unsuccessful.

Being out of tear gas projectiles, Special Agent in Charge Connelley instructed one of the Agents to go and get other tear gas projectiles. Special Agent T. J. McLaughlin came to Agent, who was still in his position on the northwest side of the house, and wanted to be covered while he, McLaughlin, fired tear gas into the house from the north side. Agent then got into position and fired at one of the windows on the north side of the house, both upstairs and downstairs, covering Agent McLaughlin while he fired the tear gas into the house on that side. Agent McLaughlin succeeded in getting three tear gas projectiles into the house. During this time, shots came from the inside of the house towards Agents. No

Agent then went to the large outhouse, which was to the northwest of the main house, and there found in one of the rooms a negro by the name of Willie Woodbury and his wife, Annie Bell Woodbury, who were occupying one of the rooms in this house on the north-east side, and were directly in the rear of Agent when he had his position behind the oak tree.

Willie Woodbury advised Agent that he and his wife were employed by J. C. Blackburn and his mother, Mrs. Blackburn, to cook and clean up the Bradford home. Willie stated that there were only a man, whom he knew as J. C. Blackburn, and a woman, named Mrs. Blackburn, staying in the house at the time, but that there was another person who had been there up until the past Sunday morning, known to Woodbury as George Summers; that this George Summers had left there Sunday morning at about nine AM, driving a new model Ford V-8 sedan; that he was accompanied by a woman known to him, Woodbury, as Wynona. Willie Woodbury picked out a photograph of Harry Campbell as being the man that he knew as George Summers.

Agent got Willie Woodbury and his wife, Annie Bell, out of the outhouse in order that if there were any more firing they would not get hurt.

Special Agent in Charge Connelley then got out in front of the house and asked Willie Woodbury if he would try the front and side doors of the house, which he did and he came back and stated that they were both latched from the inside. Later, the house was entered from the front by Special Agent in Charge Connelley, E. L. Jones, John L. Madala, and other Agents. Agent stood in front of the house covering these Agents while they were entering in case any shots would be fired from the house at the Agents. Special Agent in Charge Connelley then advised Agent that he had found Fred Barker and Kate Barker, both dead up in the northwest room.

Agent then went into the house and upstairs to the northwest room, and there saw Fred Barker and Kate Barker lying dead near the door leading out into the hall. Fred Barker was lying on his face. Kate Barker was lying on her left side, with her feet drawn up, and bare-footed. Agent then went through to the southwest room and there saw Kate Barker's house slippers laying on the floor underneath the southwest window. This room appeared to have been occupied by Kate Barker, and on the table near this window, Agent saw a Thompson machine gun drum which appeared to be fully loaded. Upon returning from this room into the hall, Agent noticed a trail of blood leading from this room into the room where Kate Barker was found dead.

Coroner Futch was immediately notified and came there, selecting a jury, viewing the bodies and rooms in the house, and turned Fred Barker's body over and underneath his body was found a .45 blue steel automatic Colts pistol, which had been jammed, and on examining this pistol it is noted that a bullet had struck the butt end of it, splitting the handle and cutting a groove in the steel. Fred Barker's body was then searched for a money belt, keys, etc., and the undertaker took out of his righthand pants pocket two Ten Dollar bills and three One Dollar Bills. Agent John L. Madala then unbuckled Barker's belt, taking it off and in the zipper pocket of this belt four One Thousand Dollar bills were found, by Agents E. L. Jones and Madala. It was noticed that Fred Barker was dressed in shirt sleeves, no hat, no coat, with a pair of dark trousers and black, low shoes. There were ten bullet holes in his left shoulder and breast; also it was noticed that there were two or three bullet wounds in his head.

Kate Barker's body was not examined there for the bullet wounds. The undertaker then took the bodies out to his establishment in Ocala.

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Agent then interviewed Willie Woodbury who identified the photograph of Harry Campbell as the man whom he knew as George Summers, and who had been staying with Fred and Kate Barker for the past two weeks. Woodbury stated that Campbell was driving a Ford V-8 sedan, license number unknown. He was unable to positively identify any of the other photographs of this gang, with the exception of Alvin Karpis, whom he thought he had seen at Fred Barker's place during the two months that they had been living in Oklawaha.

Woodbury further stated that there was a man, named Tom Sexton, and his wife, who had three children, two boys and a girl, who lived in the same outhouse that he, Woodbury, was living in at the time that the Barkers came there and that the Barkers objected to this family, stating that they were annoying them and got Mr. Bradford to have them leave.

Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley received information from Mrs. A. T. Westberry to the effect that she had seen the Barkers burying some bottles to the north of the Bradford house in the orange grove. This Agent and Agent S. B. Winstead surveyed the orange grove to the north of the Bradford house, and dug in various places where Agents suspected that something was buried and were unable to find where anything was buried in the orange grove.

Agent later interviewed Mrs. Westberry and she stated to Agent that she saw the Barkers dig a garbage pit to the east of the house and then take bottles, empty cans, and other garbage to this pit and cover it up; then later dig a new pit to put their garbage in. No freshly dug hole was found anywhere in the yard, with the exception of an old garbage pit where empty bottles and cans, etc., were found. No bottles containing any money or anything of value were found anywhere buried on the Bradford place, which was occupied by the Barkers.

Agent, accompanied by Special Agent S. B. Winstead, made a cursory examination of a 1934 Buick coupe, which was in the garage at the south part of the yard, and it was noted that this coupe bore a 1934 Illinois license 750 974, motor number 2884746. Agent later found the keys to this car in the southwest room of the house, this room having been occupied by Kate Barker.

Agent interviewed Mrs. A. T. Westberry and her daughter, Wilma, who live in a house southwest of the one occupied by the Barkers, and across a small lane, near to the lake front and the Barker house. Mrs. Westberry stated that the people she knew as J. C. Blackburn and Mrs. Blackburn had lived in the Bradford house about two months and that she noticed that they acted rather queerly; that they kept watching anyone coming to the Westberry home and that Mrs. Blackburn nearly every morning would come out the front door of her house and come to the garage, which is between the two houses and slightly to the east, and would stand at the corner of the garage and look over the Westberry home; that she would then walk around the house and go back into her house from the other side of the Westberry home; that on one occasion she noticed a man who was visiting them who appeared to be a brother of Blackburn; however, he was much older and was more bald on the front of his head; that a man she knew as George Summers had visited the Blackburns and had been there about two weeks prior to Agents' arrival; that George Summers was driving what she took to be a Ford or Chevrolet sedan; that she does not remember what license plates this car bore, but she thought it was a Florida plate, numbers unknown. Mrs. Westberry picked out the photograph of Alvin Karpis as being the man she had known as George Summers.

Mrs. Westberry stated that this man was accompanied by a woman whom she described as tall and slender, about twenty years of age, dark hair which was a rather long bob, curled on the ends in the back, was rather flashily dressed and walked with a haughty manner, smoked cigarettes incessantly and would appear each and every day with a different dress and coat on; that when this car they were driving came in it was very muddy and dirty and that it was washed the next day.

Mrs. Westberry further stated that on one occasion about three weeks ago she noticed a man driving what she took to be a Ford coupe, drive up to the front of the house and that Willie Woodbury, the negro who was employed by the Blackburns, placed a box of oranges and grapefruit in the rear of this car. She never noticed this man being about the place but on that one occasion; that he was neatly dressed

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was fair complected and a blonde, wore a gray over-coat and a light gray hat.

Agent questioned Willie Woodbury about the party for whom he loaded fruit in the back of his car and Woodbury recalled the incident and stated that he did not know who this man was, but he came to see the Blackburns on only one occasion so far as he knew; that he was driving a Ford V-8 coupe, a new model, but he does not remember what kind of license was on this car. Woodbury described him as being:

Height:	About five feet seven or eight inches
Age:	About twenty-five or twenty-six years
Weight:	145 pounds
Hair:	Blonde
Complexion:	Fair
Eyes:	Blue (he thinks)

that he was a neat dresser and he noticed that there were small gold fillings between his lower front teeth. Woodbury never heard the Blackburns call this man by name.

Willie Woodbury further stated that Fred Barker, whom he knew as J. G. Blackburn, occupied the northwest front room of the Bradford house and that his mother, Kate Barker, whom he had known as Mrs. Blackburn, occupied the southwest front room and that during the time that Harry Campbell, whom he had known as George Summers, stayed with the Barkers, he occupied the southeast room. All of these rooms are upstairs.

Woodbury further stated that during Christmas week the Barkers had two men visiting them, one of whom he understood was Fred Barker's brother, and Woodbury identified the photograph of "Doc" Barker as being this man, and that the other man was called "Slim". He identified the photograph of Russell Gibson as being the latter man. He stated that they came to the Barkers' house in a new model Ford V-8 coupe and that he saw a rifle which these men had with them and "Doc" Barker stated that it was a

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Springfield rifle; (This is evidently is one of the Browning automatic rifles taken out of Russell Gibson's room when he was killed in Chicago, Illinois, on the night of January 8, 1935.) That these two men stayed with the Barkers about three or four days and left; that he, Woodbury, never saw any rifle and that Fred Barker had with the exception of the 33 calibre rifle and the 22 rifle, and two shotguns which Fred took when he went out on the lake in a motor boat; that when he went around the place in the evening he would usually carry a 33 with him; that the Barkers had a closet upstairs in Fred Barker's room which they always kept locked and he now suspects that this closet is where they used to keep their arsenal.

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The following memorandum covers the activities of Special Agent E. L. Madala in connection with the raid at Oklawaha, Florida on the morning of January 16, 1935:

In accordance with instructions of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Agent took a position in the field which faced the north side of the house occupied by Kate and Fred Barker. From this position Agent had an excellent view of the entire north side of the house and could very easily observe anyone leaving the premises from that side. After a wait of about an hour and at approximately 7:00 A.M. the writer heard someone shout out, "Come on get Freddy, we are Department of Justice agents and have the house surrounded". A few minutes later Agent heard a woman's voice which appeared to come from the direction of the house, and shortly thereafter from the same direction there came a burst of machine gun fire. Immediately thereafter the Agents to the right of this Agent, namely Special Agents J. C. White, R. L. Jones, T. M. McDade and Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, and this Agent returned the fire. It appeared that the shots from the house came from the northwest corner of same, and as a consequence this Agent, who had a machine gun, directed his fire at that point.

Subsequent to this outburst there seemed to be a lull of about five minutes, after which the occupants of the house fired upon the Agents who were located at the northwest corner of the structure. At this time the writer again directed his fire to the window above mentioned and after the second outburst Agent retreated his position about twenty feet and took a spot behind a fence post directly opposite the north side of the building. Thereafter no shots were fired for approximately thirty minutes. About this time Agent received a tear gas gun from Special Agent A. A. Muzzey, who in the meantime had received additional gas projectiles from Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin who was stationed on U. S. Highway No. 41, some distance from the house. Upon receipt of this gas gun from Agent Muzzey, Agent changed his position to where Special Agents White, Jones and Special Agent in Charge Connelley were stationed, and from behind a tree fired two gas projectiles at the house. Subsequent to this time no more shots appeared to come from within the house. However, this Agent, as well as others in close proximity, fired intermittently into the second floor windows of the northwest corner room. At about 11:15 A.M. Special Agent in Charge Connelley and Special Agents McLaughlin and Jones and the writer persuaded Willie Woodbury, who had been

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Fred Barker's negro servant to enter the house for the purpose of ascertaining whether Fred and his mother were still in there as at that time agents had received a rumor to the effect that a man and woman had been seen running from the direction of the house in a southerly direction along the beach. The negro entered the house and in a short time came out stating that Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn, as he knew them, were dead and lying on the floor in the northwest corner room of the second floor. Immediately thereafter Special Agent in Charge Connelley, together with Special Agents White, Jones, McDade, Sullivan and this Agent proceeded to the above mentioned room and there observed Fred and Kate Barker lying on the floor in a pool of blood. A machine gun containing a hundred-shot drum was lying beside the body of Kate Barker and another machine gun with a fifty-shot drum fixed thereto was lying beside the body of Fred Barker.

Thereafter Special Agent in Charge Connelley issued instructions that nothing was to be touched or removed until the coroner arrived on the scene. Subsequently when the coroner had made his examination this Agent unbuttoned the belt from Fred Barker's trousers and observed the same had a zipper arrangement on the rear. Special Agent Jones in the presence of this Agent pulled open the zipper and found four one thousand dollar bills located therein. This Agent took immediate possession of this money and subsequently Special Agent R. B. Brown turned over to the writer a fifty dollar bill and two ten dollar and three one dollar bills, together with other papers and memoranda found on Fred Barker's person. Subsequently the above described currency was turned over to Special Agent T. M. Stapleton on January 19, 1935.

After the coroner's jury had made their examination of the deceased Fred and Kate Barker, this Agent accompanied the bodies to the Sam H. Pyles Mortuary in Ocala, Florida. At the mortuary this Agent and Mr. Pyles again searched the clothing of Kate and Fred Barker and at this time Agent discovered a pocket watch in the front pocket of Fred Barker. In Agent's presence Mr. Pyles removed two diamond rings and a wedding band from the fingers of Kate Barker and a diamond ring from the left little finger of Fred Barker. This jewelry was turned over to Agent by Mr. Pyles and the same was receipted for. The rings and watch were subsequently turned over to Special

Agent T. W. Stapleton at the time Agent turned over to him the above mentioned currency.

After the bodies of Fred and Kate Barker were claimed by Mr. Fyles, Agent took their fingerprints and it was noted that the fingerprint impressions of Fred Barker were considerably scarred, substantiating previous information to the effect that Dr. Joseph P. Moran had performed this type of operation on the finger tips of Fred Barker as well as other members of the mob.

The above mentioned fingerprints were forwarded to the Division from Ocala, Florida under date of January 29, 1935.

The following is a report of the activities of Special Agent R. L. Jones, on the morning of January 16, 1935:

Agent proceeded from Ocala, Florida, to Lake Weir, and took the position assigned to him by Mr. Connelley on the northwest side of the Carson Bradford home, about thirty yards from the house. Agent Jones, Madala, Muzzey and White and Special Agent in Charge Connelley had a position to the right of Agent Jones, Agent Madala and others being to his left. Before the command by Special Agent in Charge Connelley for the Barkers to give up and they wouldn't be hurt, Agent Jones placed a piece of concrete walk, which was about two feet by two feet and four or five inches thick, edgewise behind a small orange tree. Agent was behind this piece of concrete and was armed with a .450 Government rifle. Special Agent in Charge Connelley gave the command for the occupants of the house to surrender several times, which they did not answer to. Special Agent in Charge Connelley then instructed other agents to throw gas into the house if possible, and this was answered by machine gun fire from the upper part of the Bradford house. Agent returned the fire and remained in this position until the fire subsided in the Bradford home. After it had been determined that the occupants of the house were either dead or badly wounded Agent accompanied Special Agent in Charge R. J. Connelley and others into the house. Fred Barker and his mother were dead. After remaining there until after the coroner's jury held the inquest, Agent with Agent R. B. Brown, C. B. Campbell and S. K. McKee proceeded by airplane to Miami.

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The following memorandum covers the activities of Special Agent T. M. McDade during the raid on the house occupied by Fred and Kate Barker at Oklawaha, Florida:

On January 18, 1935, Agent, in company with other Agents proceeded to Lake Weir at Oklawaha, Florida. Agent took his position on the north side of the house occupied by Fred and Kate Barker about thirty yards from the house in direct line with the kitchen windows. The only cover at this point was a small trench and some bushes which hid other windows of the house.

About seven A.M. when it became light, Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley was heard to call for Fred and Kate Barker to come out of the house. After five or ten minutes of calling, a woman was heard to shout something which Agent could not understand. No one came out and in two or three minutes firing commenced from the house. Agents to the right of Agent commenced firing and Agent fired three shells from a gas gun, one of which went into the kitchen. There was sporadic firing on all sides for some time, distinct flashes being seen from the side windows on the first and second floors.

There was no cover to go closer to the house. Agent fired from a Thompson sub-machine gun during the battle and also afforded cover to Agent J. T. McLaughlin who fired gas shells into the house from the protection of a shield.

At eleven-thirty A.M. Agents entered the house and found Fred and Kate Barker dead in the front left (northwest) bedroom on the second floor.

Custody and surveillance of the house were maintained until Agents left on January 19, 1935. Agents T. M. McDade and C. A. Whitten took six photographs of latent fingerprints found on the right and left glass doors of a 1934 Buick coupe, motor number 288-4746, Illinois tag number 750-974.

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The following memorandum reflects the activities and observations of Special Agent Alex A. Muzey on the morning of January 16, 1935, at Oklawaha, Florida:

Agent was stationed on the north side of the Bradford house between Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and Special Agent R. L. Jones, being a member of a group of six which had been detailed to cover the north side of the Bradford home and the front entrance to same. At approximately seven A.M., Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley shouted in a rather stentorian voice, addressing himself to the occupants of the Bradford house, and identifying himself and the group as being Federal Agents of the Department of Justice; that the house was surrounded by Agents of the Department of Justice and for them to come out with their hands uplifted toward heaven. Agent J. C. White and this Agent also shouted the same words as did Special Agent in Charge Connelley. Approximately five minutes elapsed and no one came from the house. A noise was heard in the house as if some one were moving some heavy object, then a burst of shots was heard from the house and instructions were given Agents to fire tear gas shells into the house.

Agent fired three tear gas shells, but because of his position and because of the fact that two windows through which he had been instructed to fire tear gas shells were obstructed by trees, Agent's three shots from the tear gas gun struck the house to the left of the upstairs bedroom, about one and one-half feet below the window, one shell stuck in the house, but did not penetrate, due to the fact that Agent was approximately fifty feet from the house. When a burst of shots came from the house, Special Agent in Charge Connelley instructed Agent to secure protection behind a tree, which Agent did and was armed with a shotgun and fired three shots from the shotgun, and fire from the house was scattered against Agents White, Connelley, Muzey and Jones. Due to the fact that this firing was endangering the Agents' lives, they retreated behind a shed upon orders of Special Agent in Charge Connelley. From then on, Agent acted as a messenger, conveying orders to Agents scattered around the house and carrying

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ammunition and arms from automobiles parked on the road to Agents on the firing line. Agent made approximately eight or nine trips from where Special Agent in Charge Connelley was stationed to various sectors about the house where other Agents were stationed, carrying to them orders and bringing back ammunition and firearms to various Agents.

At approximately eleven-thirty o'clock, Agents entered the Bradford home with Willie Woodbury and in the second floor bedroom on the northwest side of the house observed two people lying dead on the floor with two machine guns beside them.

Agent remained at the Bradford home from that time until the afternoon of Saturday, January 19, 1935, and during the time he remained in the Bradford home he aided in searching the home and gathering up personal belongings of "Ma" Barker and Fred Barker.

On the morning of January 17, 1935, Agent, while gathering up the personal belongings in a room occupied by "Ma" Barker, found in a purse a zipper compartment and in this found a small brown envelope in which was contained ten One Thousand Dollar bills. Four Fifty Dollar Bills were secreted also in this compartment. Agent immediately gave this money to Special Agent in Charge T. N. Stapleton, informing him that he had found it in the purse in "Ma" Barker's bedroom.

Memorandum covering the activities of Special Agent S. G. Woltz, on the morning of January 16, 1935, and through January 18th, 1935.

On Wednesday morning about 12:30 A. M. Agent S. G. Woltz, left Jacksonville Office in a Division owned car with Agents Sullivan, Winstead and White, and proceeded to Seale, and from there to the hide out at Oklawaha, Florida. Upon reaching the vicinity of the house where the Barkers were supposed to be, Agent Woltz was stationed in the rear of the house, which would be on the East side of said house and West of highway 441. Near Agent Woltz on this side Agents Campbell, Winstead and Sullivan were stationed.

Agent Woltz took his post at about 4:00 or 4:30 A. M. and about 7:00 A. M. or a few minutes before on the morning of the 18th of January, 1935, I heard Agent in Charge, Mr. Connelley, call to Fred Barker to come out and surrender; that he was surrounded by Federal Agents and that we were Federal Agents, and that if he would come out with his hands up that he would not be harmed; and that if there were any in the house with him that they should come one at a time with their hands raised. After a few such warnings as this I heard shots which seemed to come from one of the front rooms of the house. In a few minutes I heard gas projectiles being fired from my right side and from the north side of the house. None of these first projectiles entered the house, but seemed to bounce off. Then I heard more shots fired from within the house, at which time I heard the Agents in Agent Connelley's vicinity reply with shots. At this time I along with the other Agents stationed in the rear of the house and also Agents stationed on the left or South side of the house replied with many shots.

From then on every few minutes when there would be a lull in the shooting I could hear Agent Connelley call to Barker or whoever was in the house, that we were Federal Agents and that if he would surrender to come out with his hands up one at a time.

Usually this would be answered by shots from different windows of the house. At times some person would fire from the upstairs windows at the place where I was stationed with other Agents. I could not tell whether it was a man or a woman shooting in my direction, but I could see a flash now and then and hear bullets passing over my head and hitting

around close by. Whenever I would see an object at the window or see a flash or any thing that would indicate that a person was on my side of the house, I would shoot my rifle. I usually emptied the chamber which held a clip of five 30.06 bullets.

Firing from the inside of the house and from the Agents continued spasmodically the greater part of the morning. At about 11:00 o'clock we received orders to cease firing; that it was thought that whoever was in the house was dead and that there would be an attempt to rush the place by the Agents.

I received orders to proceed to the left side of the house and approach cautiously. Before I reached the inside of the house one of the Agents told me that they were dead and I proceeded to the inside of the house and on the North side in a bed room I saw Fred Barker and Kate Barker lying on the floor with several bullet holes in them and they were dead. I noticed that many bullets had penetrated the house from all sides and that hardly any place was clear of bullet holes.

I was stationed then to keep newspaper men, curiosity seekers and the public in general from entering the house and to guard the property and the Agent's equipment. That night I was placed on guard duty with Agents White and Winstead.

I remained in Oklawaha during guard duty and checking various leads until January 18, 1935, at which time I was ordered to go to Gainesville with Agent Connelley, and Agents White and Winstead for the purpose of trying to take who we were informed, was Karpis, on a lead and on information furnished us that he was to contact a negro on the highway that night for the purpose of getting 1000 rounds of rifle ammunition.

I proceeded with the above Agents and was ordered by Mr. Connelley to secret myself near the highway at a place where the negro had his car parked.

We reached this place on the highway about 6:00 o'clock P. M. and remained there until about 8:00 that night when it was decided that Karpis would not show up, and we were ordered to return to Ocala.

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The next day which was the 19th of January, 1935, I was ordered to check different leads in Ocala, Florida, for possible contacts of Barkers and Karpis, such as the hardware stores and the Banks.

It being a Bank holiday I could not contact the President of the Bank in Ocala, but did contact the Marion Hardware Company where I received information that T. G. Blackburn, who is known to have been Fred Barker, had had this concern ship one .35 rifle to the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, New Haven, Conn., for the purpose of having the chamber reamed out, a new ivory bead front sight and a new magazine complete placed on this rifle.

The correspondence concerning this is attached to this memorandum for the purpose of any further information which might be needed in connection with this.

I then was ordered to return to Jacksonville and reached Jacksonville about 6:00 P. M. on the 19th of January, 1935.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan on the morning of January 14, 1935:

All Agents arrived at Oklawaha, Florida, and following the directions of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, the writer took up his position on highway forty-one in company with Special Agents C. B. Winstead, G. C. Campbell and G. C. Wolts. At seven o'clock when the firing began, Agent joined and fired intermittently throughout the morning.

During the morning, Special Agent in Charge Connelley directed the writer to proceed to the north side of the residence occupied by the Barkers where Agent took his position and with other agents covered Agent McLaughlin when he was gassing the Barker residence, by shooting into the upstairs windows.

When no response came from the Barker residence as a result of our shooting for sometime, Willie Woodbury, former handyman employed by the Barkers, agreed to enter the residence to ascertain whether there was any life therein. He returned and stated that Fred Barker and his mother were both dead, whereupon Special Agent in Charge Connelley, Special Agents, Madala, McLaughlin, Jones, White, McDade and the writer left cover and entered the Barker residence and upon entering noted that Mrs. Barker and Freddie were lying lifeless in pools of blood in the northwest corner room on the second floor of the Barker residence.

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The following memorandum covers the activities of Special Agent C. B. Winstead in connection with the raid on the house occupied by Fred and Kate Barker at Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16, 1935:

On January 16, 1935, this Agent, in company with other Agents, by automobile, proceeded from Jacksonville, Florida, to a house below Ocala, located on Lake Weir, and which was occupied by Fred Barker and his mother, Kate. The position assigned to this Agent, together with Special Agents G. C. Campbell, Dan Sullivan and G. C. Woltz, was on the highway where the rear of the house could be seen and the space between the house and garage covered in order to prevent Barker escaping from the house into the garage where his Buick coupe was located. These positions were taken up about six o'clock in the morning while it was still dark and shortly after daylight we could hear the Agents located at the northwest corner of the house order the Barkers to come out and surrender. At about seven-fifteen firing began in the house and the Agents stationed in the rear began firing into the windows at the rear of the house.

At about ten o'clock A.M., Sheriff Thomas, from Ocala, Florida, came down to where these Agents were located in the rear of the house with a .351 automatic rifle. Agent was beginning to run short of ammunition and asked the Sheriff if he had any extra ammunition and he stated that he only had five shells.

At about eleven-thirty A.M., Agents were ordered to come forward and this Agent proceeded across the vacant space behind the house to the rear of the house. Upon arriving at the house, Special Agent R. D. Brown informed Agent that the Barkers were dead and when Agent entered the northwest room upstairs in the house he saw the bodies lying on the floor. Agent then went out and assisted in keeping the sightseers outside of the premises.

This Agent, together with Special Agents J. C. White, G. C. Woltz, and T. M. McDade, remained at the premises where the raid occurred until about one-thirty the next morning, when we were relieved.

Upon instructions of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, the writer, Special Agent J. T. Molanigh, stationed himself at the north gate lane on Highway Forty-two, adjacent to the Bradford house, to prevent anyone passing or any other members of the gang approaching within the range of fire, or anyone escaping from the Bradford residence by this lane. The writer was on the post of duty from five o'clock until eight-thirty A.M. January 16, 1935, when Sheriff Thomas of Ocala, arrived with a deputy and took charge of this section of the highway as far as police control was concerned.

The writer, upon instructions of Special Agent in Charge Connelley, proceeded to his location which was a short distance from the Bradford home. The writer, while protected by other agents' fire, was successful in placing at this time three gas projectiles into the house, missing one. Special Agents again shot into the upper portion of the house while the writer approached within a distance of ten or twelve feet behind the old garage, which practically adjoined the Bradford house, and a number of gas projectiles were shot at the house.

Upon returning to where the other Agents and Agent in Charge Connelley were stationed, through a conversation among Agents with Willie Woodbury, the negro handyman employed by the Blackburns, it was ascertained that he was apparently willing to

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enter the house, to see if he could assist them if they were injured. He was cautioned by Special Agent in Charge Connelley to keep calling who he was. This negro approached, tried all the doors of the house, but could not enter and returned to Mr. Connelley, whereupon after a few more minutes he was again requested to enter the house to find out whether the occupants were living or dead, and if they were alive and injured to come out for help. After a few minutes Willie's head appeared in the window and he stated they were dead, whereupon he was instructed to come out. Special Agent in Charge Connelley and other Agents entered the house and found the Barkers dead on the floor of the upstairs northwest room.

Upon instructions of Special Agent in Charge Connelley, after finding that the Barkers were no longer living, the writer notified the local Sheriff, the Coroner and the undertaker, to immediately come to Oklawaha to the Bradford house on Lake Weir, to make their necessary investigations and remove the bodies.

After this, the writer remained on guard at the house until instructed by Special Agent in Charge Connelley to return to Jacksonville.

It might be stated in connection with the gassing of this house considerable difficulty was experienced due to the fact that all windows bore full length screens, which were practically new, and further that it was almost impossible to approach the house within range distance of the gas guns.

Memorandum covering the activities of Special Agent
T. G. Malvin, on the morning of January 16, 1935.

At about 8:30 A. M. Agent under instructions of Special Agent in Charge, E. J. Connelley, took his position on highway 42, South of the Bradford residence to guard against the return of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell, who were reported to be in Miami, and expected to return to join Freddie and Kate Barker at any time.

Agent also diverted traffic moving in a northerly direction in order that no one would be injured by the fire.

Agent also assisted Agents McKee and Brown in covering the Barker residence in case Kate and Fred Barker effected their escape from the house.

After the death of Fred and Kate Barker agent joined other Agents at the Bradford residence under instructions from the Special Agent in Charge, E. J. Connelley.

The following investigation was made by Special Agent in Charge T. N. Stapleton, who arrived at Oklawaha, Florida, at approximately 11:00 P. M. on January 15, 1935, accompanied by Special Agents F. J. Donaghue and C. A. Whitten of the Charlotte office.

Upon instructions from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, the writer after his arrival at Oklawaha, Florida, remained at the home of Carson Bradford until approximately 2:00 P. M. on January 19, 1935, with the purpose of keeping it under surveillance and making a careful examination of the contents therein. All of the clothing and other personal effects were collected with respect to the room in which found and taken to the Jacksonville office, where they will be carefully examined for any leads of value. The house, from the attic to the ground, and mattresses, as well as the entire premises, were carefully searched in an effort to locate any money which might be hidden, with negative results, with the exception of money taken off of Fred Barker and that found in "Mother" Barker's pocketbook. All papers which appeared likely productive of leads of value were collected and carefully assorted by the writer and Special Agent in Charge Connelley, who took possession of them and will report on their contents. Information from these papers which appeared to be of immediate value in Miami and Havana, Cuba, were telephonically given to Special Agent in Charge J. H. Hanson, who was at Miami, Florida. The writer found under a scarf on a table in the living room a letter addressed to "Mr. G. F. Summers, Oklawaha, Florida", postmarked 10:30 P. M., January 7, 1935, Chicago, Illinois, bearing an air mail stamp, which is handwritten in pencil and reads as follows:

"Hello ever one how is that old sunshine down there fine I hope. Boy it is not so hot up here, for we are haveing some winter. I Bet you and Buff are not catching no fish now for I think I caught them all when I was down there. I took care of that Buisness for you Boys it was done Just as good as if you had did it your self. I an Just like the standard oil always at your service ha ha. tell, Bo, you know the Boy with the rosey cheek that Money is up here looking for him and if it is alright to send him down. I have not seen chuck yet I have Been Busy on that other he was perry hard to locate. But will see him right away, and see if he wants come down there. tell mother that deer was mighty fine and I said hello and her and the sqaw had Better not let you Bums Beat then in catching fish ha ha well I will close for this time as ever your Big Bud

B. L. Barnes"

On the morning of January 17, 1935, Special Agent J. P. Lacour turned over to the writer \$42.58, \$39.00 of which was in paper money, which he stated was found in the pocketbook of Kate Barker. A few minutes later, Special Agent A. A. Muzzey turned over to the writer \$10,800.00 which he stated he found in the pocketbook of Kate Barker. The writer recorded the serial numbers of the paper money and turned it over to Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin who delivered it to Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt of the Jacksonville office. The following is a list of the paper money found:

TEN (10) \$1000.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES

	<u>BANK</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	Atlanta	F 00014251A	1928
2	"	F 00022463A	1928
3	Chicago	G 00070117A	1928
4	Atlanta	F 00010128A	1928
5	"	F 00019257A	1928
6	"	F 00014906A	1928
7	"	F 00019258A	1928
8	"	F 00019531A	1928
9	"	F 00022457A	1928
10	"	F 00022464A	1928

FOUR (4) \$50.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES

	<u>BANK</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	New York	B 01861588A	1928 A
2	"	B 02408286A	1928 A
3	Cleveland	D 00800129A	1928
4	Chicago	G 02329603A	1928 A

ONE (1) \$20.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE

	<u>BANK</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	New York	B 25386560A	1928 B

ONE (1) \$10.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE

	<u>BANK</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	Chicago	G 44630390A	1928 B

NATIONAL BANK CURRENCY - OCALA FLORIDA NATIONAL BANK

	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	One (1) \$5.00 Note A-004769	1929 (9926)

Four (4) \$1.00 Silver Certificates

	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	F 64868659B	1928 B
2	F 10544536B	1928A
3	C 47627382B	1928B
4	F 54390482B	1928B

The \$3.58 in silver money was placed in the pocketbook of Kate Barker which was brought to the Jacksonville office.

On January 19, 1935, Special Agent J. L. Madala turned over to the writer \$4,073.00 which was found on the person of Fred Barker after he was killed. This money was also turned over by the writer to Special Agent in Charge Alt, a list of which is as follows:

FOUR (4) \$1000.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTES

	<u>BANK</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	Atlanta	F 00004857 A	1928
2	"	F 00009887 A	1928
3	"	F 00020337 A	1928
4	"	F 00020574 A	1928

ONE (1) \$50.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE

	<u>BANK</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	Cleveland	D 01715647 A	1928 A

ONE (1) \$10.00 FEDERAL RESERVE NOTE

	<u>BANK</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	Atlanta	F 09996256 A	1928 B

ONE (1) \$10.00 SILVER CERTIFICATE

	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	A 04725095 A	1934

THREE (3) \$1.00 SILVER CERTIFICATES

	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>SERIES</u>
1	D 52344621 B	1928 B
2	G 17629161 B	1928 A
3	F 36928187 B	1928 B

Arrangements were made with the St. Paul office to have a subpoena duces tecum issued for all of the foregoing paper money and the Buick coupe, motor number 2884746, bearing Illinois license tags for 1934 750-974, and this property will be turned over by Special Agent in Charge Alt to the United States Marshal at Jacksonville, Florida, when he serves the subpoena.

Numerous articles in the house were dusted by the writer and Special Agent F. J. Donaghy for latent fingerprints, particularly the articles found in the room believed to have been occupied by subject Harry Campbell and Winona Burdette. The Buick coupe was also dusted for fingerprints by Special Agents C. A. Whitten and T. M. McDade. The prints developed were photographed and will be transmitted under separate cover to the Division for developing.

While at Oklawaha, Florida, information was received from several sources that T. B. Sexton had formerly lived in a cottage adjacent to the Carson Bradford home and had been requested to vacate due to some difficulty with the Barkers.

On the night of January 18, 1935, Mr. T. B. Sexton, who now resides at 818 East Henry Street, Ocala, Florida, employed by the City Fire Department, came to Oklawaha and stated that he rented the cottage adjacent to the Carson Bradford home from Mr. Bradford on October 5, 1934, that a few weeks later an individual, known to him as Mr. Blackburn, and whom he identifies as Fred Barker, and a woman, whom he identifies as Kate Barker, moved into the Carson Bradford home; but shortly thereafter they refused to permit his wife to get water at the Carson Bradford home, and that he made a call on Fred Barker one night, when Barker informed him that he would not permit them to get any more water due to a past due water bill of \$14.00 which he, Barker, had to pay; that Barker, after many words, consented to let him have the water if he would pay half of the water bill, which he refused to do; that during the conversation he called Barker a liar, at which time Barker made slanderous remarks about Mrs. Sexton and called him, Sexton, a pimp. Mr. Sexton was shown the photographs of members of the Barker-Karpis gang and their associates but he was unable to identify any of them except Fred and Kate Barker, although he had seen other persons on the premises at a distance. Mr. Sexton said that his wife would probably be in a position to give information concerning the occupants of the Carson Bradford home.

Mrs. T. B. (Louise) Sexton was interviewed, and she stated a Mr. Blackburn, his mother, a Mr. George Summers, accompanied by a negro chauffeur, moved into the Carson Bradford home on November 6, 1934. She identifies Mr. Blackburn and his mother as Fred and Kate Barker and George Summers as Harry Campbell. She stated that upon their arrival Fred Barker and his mother were driving a Buick coupe bearing New York license plates, numbers not known, and Harry Campbell was driving a new Ford V-8 coupe, also bearing New York license plates, the numbers of which she does not recall. Mrs. Sexton believes they arrived on Wednesday and states that Harry Campbell left on the following Sunday in the Ford, stating that he was going to Miami, Florida, to the dog races; that during the time that Campbell was at the Carson Bradford home he sat in his car in front of the house every afternoon as if he were guarding the place; that he would listen to the radio in the automobile and particularly to the police broadcasts; that one afternoon he drove his car over to the edge of her porch and asked her if she objected to his coming over, that she informed him that she did not object, but rather enjoyed the radio, after which he took her in his car to the Oklawaha Inn, where they had dinner; that after this Campbell was very attentive to her and tried to give her a case of liquor and insisted that she drink with him; that she refused his liquor and he later bought considerable beer for her. Mrs. Sexton states that Campbell later propositioned her and when she turned him down he stated that he would like for her to move out of the cottage as he desired to

have a woman live there who would accept his proposition; that she believes this is one reason why the Barkers started an argument over the water bill to have them move out, because she later saw a woman at the Carson Bradford home, whom she partially identifies as being Winona Burdette.

Mrs. Sexton is a woman of about twenty-six years of age, having three children, and it is the opinion of the writer that she became very intimate with Harry Campbell and probably engaged in sexual relations with him.

During her association with Campbell he advised her, Mrs. Sexton, that Carson Bradford was a fine fellow, a close friend of his and the Barkers, and that they had known him for several years; that the reason they came to Oklawaha was because they were in Miami looking for a place to stay and Carson Bradford insisted that they take his home at Oklawaha, where Mrs. Barker would have a place to rest and the boys would have a place to hunt and fish.

Mr. and Mrs. Sexton turned over to the writer a notice to vacate the premises signed by Carson Bradford and a letter which Mrs. Sexton received, dated at Miami, Florida, December 5, 1934, signed by Marian Bradford, Carson Bradford's wife, which are being retained in the file, and which Mr. Sexton has requested to be returned to him when they have served their purpose. The letter consists of nothing more than a notice to vacate at once. It is possible that further investigation may disclose that Carson Bradford knew the identities of the Barkers and ejected the Sextons from the premises at the Barkers' request.

Mrs. Sexton states that she vacated the premises on December 7, 1934, and moved to 715 Tenth Street, Ocala, Florida; that on December 14, 1934, Willie Woodberry, the negro who was working for the Barkers, came to her home at this address to get his wife, Annabelle. At this time Willie Woodberry left Kate Barker and a girl, allegedly Harry Campbell's wife, around the corner from her, Mrs. Sexton's, home, and picked them up after leaving there. At this time they were driving a V-8 Ford. This would indicate that Winona Burdette arrived at Oklawaha on or about December 14, 1934. Mrs. Sexton said that she did not see any other persons at the Bradford home and that the Barkers and Harry Campbell did not at any time tell her the nature of their business; that she heard them shooting practically every day and several nights, and on one occasion saw a case which she assumed contained a machine gun and on a later occasion mentioned this to Harry Campbell, who in a sarcastic way informed her that she had not seen such a case.

Mrs. Sexton advised that Loise Leitner, who lived two doors north of the Bradford home, had accompanied Fred Barker to Leesburg, Florida, on one occasion and would probably have considerable information about the Barkers and their associates.

Loise Leitner was interviewed by Special Agent F. J. Donaghue and will be referred to hereinafter.

Relative to the colored chauffeur, who Mrs. Barton says first arrived with Harry Campbell, alias George Summers, on November 6, 1934, Willie Woodberry advised that this negro did not remain at the Bradford home more than two weeks; that he went by the name of "Johnson" and is a yellow negro about thirty-five years of age, medium size, having his front teeth out and alleged to be from Miami, Florida. If this negro can be located, it is probable he will have information in this case.

On January 19, 1935, Agent F. J. Donaghue called at the residence of Mrs. Loise Leitner, three doors south of the Carson Bradford home on Lake Weir at Oklawaha, Florida, and interviewed her relative to her visit to Leesburg, Florida, with Fred Barker. She advised Agent that she had met Fred Barker, whom she knew as Mr. Blackburn, one morning while en route to the post office at Oklawaha. On this occasion he offered her a ride to the post office and after transacting her business there offered to take her home, which she accepted. While on the way he asked her whether she would accompany him on a ride, without indicating any particular destination he proceeded to Leesburg, Florida, stopping on the way at a barbecue stand where he purchased sandwiches and two bottles of Coca-Cola for both of them; upon their arrival at Leesburg, Florida, Mrs. Leitner advised that "Blackburn" made but one stop, going in a drug store where he stopped at a case or counter within full view of her, who remained in the car. Upon questioning, she stated that to her knowledge Mr. Blackburn did not converse with any one, mail any letters, or send any telegrams during the course of this trip. She denied any further association with "Blackburn", stating that he had made several attempts to "date" her, but that she had at the time a boy friend then living in Atlanta, Georgia, and was not interested in "Blackburn". After several unsuccessful attempts to "date" her, she advised that he did not bother her any more. She stated that "Blackburn" and his mother were the only two persons she saw close up and she did not know whether she could identify any of the other persons whom she saw about Carson Bradford's residence on several occasions at a distance. She denied ever having been to the Carson Bradford residence while the same was occupied by the "Blackburns".

Mrs. Leitner is a divorcee, and has two young daughters, approximately four and six years of age. She formerly resided with her husband in Ocala, and since her divorce her husband has been a patient in the United States Veterans' Administration Hospital at Oteen, North Carolina.

Description of Mrs. Loise Leitner is as follows:

Name: Mrs. Loise Leitner
Age: 27-28 years
Height: 5 feet, 4 inches
Weight: 116 pounds
Build: slender
Hair: brown
Eyes: dark brown
Complexion: fair

It is noted that at the time of the interview Mrs. Leitner was evasive in her answers, and it is believed by this Agent that she was more familiar with Mr. Blackburn than she cared to admit. She displayed considerable interest in knowing when the Special Agents of this Division then in possession of the Carson Bradford home were likely to leave, which may be attributable to feminine curiosity, but it is altogether possible that she may have some knowledge as to where a contact of the Barker crowd could be made.

The following is a memorandum submitted by Special Agent J. Stapleton:

The writer, assisted by Agents from the Charlotte and Chicago offices, made a survey of the home of Vernon Bradford at Oklawaha, Florida, where Fred Barker and his mother were killed, for the purpose of ascertaining the extent of damages done thereto by the bullets fired by the Agents.

The home is a two-story frame house, having hardwood floors downstairs and pine floors upstairs, the walls and ceilings being of a plaster of Paris composition and what is known as "sheet rock". It should be noted that Mr. Carson Bradford informed Special Agent E. J. Donaghy that he constructed this home four years ago at a cost of seven thousand dollars. However, in the opinion of the writer, this is grossly exaggerated, unless this estimate includes the cost of the land upon which it is located.

There is attached hereto a rough sketch of the floor plan of the house upstairs and downstairs, and the damage done to each portion of the house is as follows:

Front porch: 21 bullet holes in clapboard which can probably be repaired by filling with putty and re-painting.

5 wire screens, approximate size 3 x 3, shot out.

1 bullet hole in roof of porch which can probably be repaired by filling with coal-tar or some similar material.

1 post, 1/2 x 3 inches, was damaged by gun fire.

living room: Window glass for 5 windows and 1 extra pane for one window were shot out.

2 window frames damaged by gun fire.

3 window screens needed.

4 window shades needed - cheap variety.

4 pairs curtains needed - cheap variety.

Woodwork of the front door and the glass therein damaged and shot out.

1 cheap glass lighting fixture on wall was damaged.

58 bullet holes in the walls

1 bullet penetrated what appeared to be a family picture, breaking the glass.

Dining room: 23 bullet holes in walls

1 bullet hole in ceiling

6 bullet holes in windows

window glass for 3 windows necessary

window frame will have to be repaired

3 window shades needed.

Kitchen:

4 bullet holes through door

1 door lock broken

2 gas shell projectiles made large holes through walls and one made large hole through pantry door

2 window screens needed

glass for 3 windows needed

5 bullet holes through a cheap kitchen cabinet - little damage.

3 bullet holes through door facing.

Back porch:

Window glass for door needed

2 screens needed

2 window panes needed

Room No. 1 on diagram (where bodies were found):

Screens and window glass needed for 4 windows

4 curtains needed

window frames for 3 windows needed

167 bullet holes in walls and ceiling

2 doors needed

1 bullet hole through a cheap dresser

2 bullet holes through an iron bed

1 mirror, size 36" x 24" in a cheap frame broken

1 art square damaged by blood, which can probably be cleaned

Room No. 2 (where Mrs. Barker was sleeping)

40 bullet holes in walls and ceiling

2 bullet holes in door

4 bullet holes in closet doors

window glass for 4 windows needed

screens for 4 windows needed

shades for 4 windows needed

1 bullet hole through back of wooden bed

1 mirror, size 50 x 18" in a dresser broken

4 bullet holes in cheap dresser

Room No. 3 (where Harry Campbell is believed to have stayed)

21 bullet holes in walls and ceiling

screens for 3 windows needed

2 shades needed

window glass for 3 windows needed

2 window frames damaged

3 bullet holes in door

5 bullet holes in a cheap bureau

Room No. 4:

51 bullet holes in walls and ceiling

1 window shade needed

3 wire screens needed

1 window glass for 3 windows needed

1 tear gas projectile hole in wall

1 bullet hole in door

2 window frames need repairing

Hallway upstairs: 30 bullet holes in walls and ceiling

Bathroom upstairs: 12 bullet holes in walls and ceiling

glass in 1 window shattered

1 window screen needed

1 window shade needed

1 bullet hole in door

Cedar lined

closet upstairs: 5 bullet holes in walls

2 bullet holes in door

Outside of House: 67 bullet holes

4 large holes made by gas projectiles

27 bullet holes (front side, front)

15 bullet holes (back side)

It appears that all of the walls and ceiling will have to be replaced, as well as practically all of the windows, screens, shades and curtains.

Memorandum:

On the morning of January 17, 1935, this Agent accompanied by Special Agent J. P. Lacour was making a surrey inspection of the upstairs rooms of the house occupied by the Barkers at Oklawaha, situated on Lake Weir, Florida, and while in the room occupied by Kate Barker noticed several pocketbooks lying around; one of which was partially concealed under her bed linen. Agent Lacour picked up the large pocketbook on her bed and inspected the contents of same. At this time he pulled out one twenty-dollar bill, one ten-dollar bill, one five-dollar bill, and four one-dollar bills; also silver in the amount of \$3.58. He made a casual inspection of the other compartments of the pocketbook but did not see any further money at this time. Agent Lacour deemed this search of the pocketbook sufficient at this time in view of the fact that a search of the premises had been made shortly after the decease of Kate and Fred Barker. This money was turned over to Special Agent in Charge T. M. Stapleton by Agent Lacour shortly after it was found and mention of the finding of the money was made by Agent Lacour and this Agent to Special Agent Alex Muzzey, who shortly thereafter came to the breakfast table, where Agent Lacour and the writer were eating breakfast, and made the statement "I thought you fellows said you found some money" and counted out ten one-thousand-dollar bills and four fifty-dollar bills. This Agent said "Where did you get that?" and he said "Out of the pocketbook you told me you searched". At this time Agent Lacour mentioned the fact that he had noticed an old brown envelope in one of the compartments of the pocketbook but same appeared to be empty and he failed to open this envelope in which Agent Muzzey stated that the \$10,000.00 was contained. He also mentioned the fact that the four fifty-dollar bills were contained in a zipper compartment, apparently overlooked by Agent Lacour, who made personal search of the pocketbook at the time it was found.

On the afternoon of January 18, 1935, Special Agent T. M. McDade and this Agent examined Buick coupe, motor number 2884746, for fingerprints and made six photographic exposures of latent fingerprints found on both glasses of said automobile, which were turned over to Special Agent in Charge T. M. Stapleton of the Charlotte office.

On the morning of January 19, 1935, Special Agent in Charge Stapleton instructed this Agent to contact Mr. P. F. Chester, Local Constable at Ocala, Florida, for such information as he might have deemed of importance to this investigation, as one of the newspaper men, name unknown, had advised Mr. Stapleton that Mr. Chester could possibly furnish information of interest to this investigation.

Mr. P. F. Chester, Constable, Ocala, Florida, upon interview, advised that he had been informed by the ticket agent, name not furnished,

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at Ocala, Florida, that just before Christmas last a man and a woman drove up in a large Packard automobile, thought to be a sedan or closed car of some kind, and purchased two tickets for Miami, Florida, that the man also purchased a Pullman ticket and immediately thereafter caught the train for Miami and threw the ticket agent a five-dollar bill without any comment. The woman did not accompany the man but drove off in the above-mentioned automobile. Mr. Chester was of the opinion, the reason for said opinion not furnished, that this woman within a day or so caught the same train for Miami at Wildwood, Florida.

At the time of the above interview this Agent and other Agents were en route to the Jacksonville office and Special Agent in Charge Stapleton suggested that Agent make a memorandum of the matter above outlined for the attention of the Jacksonville office in the event that further investigation at Ocala in this connection is desired.

C. A. Whitten,
Special Agent

Memorandum:

The following memorandum covers the investigations made by this Agent concerning check-up on various receipts found in the Carson Bradford home occupied by the Barkers at the time of their decease:

1 cash receipt from Blocker's Department Store, Ocala, Florida, covering the purchase of five pieces of women's lingerie on December 15, 1934, represents, according to Mrs. Elizabeth Newland, clerk at this store, purchases made by Kate Barker and a woman about

5 feet, 6 inches
weight about 125 pounds
dark long hair
dark complexion
rather good-looking

who, it is believed, was Winona Burdette, the paramour of Harry Campbell. Mrs. Newland stated that in addition to these purchases the small young woman made inquiries about ladies' linen suits and that she tried on several of these suits and when it was found that this establishment was unable to fit her with one of these suits, she and Mrs. Barker remarked in their conversation that they would probably be able to get one in Miami, and that they further mentioned in their conversation that these clothes were apparently being purchased in contemplation of a trip to Miami. Mrs. Newland stated that this young woman was very slender, inasmuch as she wore a number 12 woman's dress, but that other than the information before contained in this memorandum she could recall no additional information of any value gained from listening to the conversation of these customers, other than possibly that they were very nice to wait on and did not seem at all hard to please and only expressed that they were accustomed to paying more for clothes than called upon to pay in Ocala.

Another of these cash slips was obtained from Rheinauer and Company, mercantile store, Ocala, Florida, and represented the purchase of a pair of woman's shoes, the price being \$9.00. Mr. Larry Crine, manager of the shoe department at this store, advised that he sold these shoes and that the same were sold to Kate Barker and that a young woman

about 5 feet, 6 inches
bearing the same description as the young woman
above

accompanied Kate Barker at the time of this purchase, and that she made some other minor purchases in the store, the best he can remember - some beads and trimming for a dress, and that these two women were very pleasant to wait on and that the elder of the two was decidedly the boss, inasmuch as she made all final decisions as to all personal purchases made by the two of them.

At Blocker's it was also found that the deciding about everything was done by Kate Barker.

Also among these cash receipts were found one from Watson's Garage, Ocala, Florida, and one from Beams Electric Service, Ocala, Florida, covering repairs on a motor and repairing of a magneto. Mr. C. M. Watson, of Watson's Garage, was contacted and advised that this receipt of his, in the amount of \$35.40, represented repairs done by him on a motor boat housed in the motor boat house directly in front of the Carson Bradford home, and that the bill of Beams in the amount of \$14.45 represents repairs on a magneto in connection with the same motor boat; that these repairs were made at the Beams company at his, Watson's, request. Mr. Watson stated that he was informed by the local Ford motor company that he could possibly get a repair job at the Carson Bradford home, inasmuch as a party had been to them with reference to the repairing of a motor boat and that they had informed this party that they did not do such repair work. Mr. Watson stated that he proceeded to the Carson Bradford home and that apparently none of the white people living at that place was present on the day he went there, but the negro cook and handy man authorized him to remove the motor from the boat and take it to his shop, where the above-mentioned work was done. Mr. Watson further advised that when he returned this motor to be re-installed in the boat, the negro again advised him that the occupants of the Carson Bradford home were still out of town, but that he had the money to pay for the repairs, that he could go ahead and put the motor in the boat, which he did, receiving for his services the \$35.40 represented by his bill and the \$14.45 represented by the Beams bill from this negro man. Mr. Watson stated that at no time, either on his first trip or his return trip, did he see any of the white occupants of the Carson Bradford home, but that he recalls that the negro man told him definitely on both occasions that the people were in Jacksonville.

A check of the telephone calls originating from the Oklawaha Inn at Oklawaha, Florida, was made at the Florida Telephone Company in Ocala, Florida. It was found that at that point all accounting slips prior to November 27, 1934, had been forwarded to the district accounting office at Leesburg, Florida, at which point they may be inspected. However, those from November 27, 1934, were examined by this Agent and the following calls, possibly of interest, were noted. The telephone number of the Oklawaha Inn is 1411.

On November 30, 1934, a phone call emanating from 1411, Oklawaha, to Joe Adams, Miami, Florida.

On December 22, 1934, phone call made to H 9691, Tampa, Florida, and

On December 23, 1934, another phone call was made to same number in Tampa - both of these Tampa calls emanated from 1411, Oklawaha

On November 28, 1934, two phone calls from 1411, Oklawaha Inn, were made to 5-3969, Jacksonville

On December 30, 1934, a man named Easterly called one D. U. Corbitt at 4721, Orlando, Florida

On December 28, 1934, number 5-5591, Bradenton, Florida, was called from the Oklawaha Inn

On December 15, 1934, from Oklawaha Inn, some one by the name of Hart called a party by the name of DeWitt Hart at the A. G. Tooles residence, 9848, Orlando

On January 15, 1935, a party by the name of Morley called a person by the name of John Ganzel at 6715, Orlando

On January 14, 1935, Virginia Holzlaw called Ben Cobb, Jr., 4473, Orlando

On January 3, 1935, number 7-6522, Jacksonville, Florida, was called by some one from 1411, Oklawaha Inn, Oklawaha

On January 11, 1935, some one called a Mrs. Tuckett at 249, Leesburg, Florida

It was learned at the offices of the Florida Telephone Company, Ocala, Florida, that there was no possibility at that point of checking the incoming calls to telephone number 1411, inasmuch as the records of prepaid calls would be maintained in the offices from which they emanated, and that no records of collect calls would be made at number 1411, Oklawaha, inasmuch as this is a pay station and collect calls would not have to be authorized for that number, and that the only possible way of checking incoming calls at 1411 would be to check all exchanges from which it was thought that calls might have been made to number 1411, being the telephone number at the Oklawaha Inn.

There were also turned over to this Agent a hunting and a fishing license issued to Fred Barker by Judge L. E. Futch of Marion County, Florida, under the names of "T. C. Blackburn" and "T. E. Blackburn", respectively. A check of these licenses was not made at the courthouse due to the fact that it had closed, but Judge Futch orally

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mentioned to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley the fact that he had issued these licenses to subject Fred Barker.

The cash receipts and the hunting and fishing licenses mentioned in this memorandum are being attached hereto.

J. P. Lacour,
Special Agent

On the evening of January 18, 1935, at about 7:00 o'clock, Special Agents T. M. McDade, C. A. Whitten and the writer went to the Oklawaha Inn at Oklawaha, Florida, to have dinner. During the course of the meal Mr. Carson Bradford and his wife came in and took an adjoining table. About the time the above named Agents finished their dinner Mr. Bradford directed a remark to us, stating: "I see you are still here. You boys must like it down here." Whereupon Agent McDade answered: "Yes, it would be a nice place for a vacation." Mr. Bradford then asked: "When do you expect to leave?" Agent McDade answered: "Why, I don't know." About that time Mr. Bradford left the table and as he was walking away Mrs. Bradford said: "I hope you boys will stay over Sunday, otherwise we will have a lot of trouble with sight-seers running all over the place." She then asked if we thought any one would object if she were to string barbed wire from the fence across the short beach and place signs forbidding trespassing on the property. Whereupon the writer answered that he did not suppose there would be any objection to their protecting their property from trespassers in any way they thought practicable. The writer then asked Mrs. Bradford how they came to rent the property to Mr. Blackburn, and she stated that a friend of theirs, Mr. Joe Adams, now manager of the El Commodore Hotel, Miami, Florida, and a former partner of Mr. Bradford in the real estate business at Miami, Florida, had told them that he could secure a tenant who had a lot of money and would pay \$75.00 or \$100.00 a month rent for their property on Lake Weir at Oklawaha, if they would rent it. She advised that they had never rented this property before but since her husband had lost money heavily in recent years they decided to rent the place. After this statement, Mrs. Bradford voluntarily continued to state that they had no idea who these people were and when they rented the place they did not rent the use of the motor boat and, in fact, did not know that they, the Blackburns, were using this motor boat, and neither did they know that the Blackburns were making use of the tenant house on the premises (house occupied by the negro cook, Willie), or intend that they should.

The above statement relative to the use of the motor boat is to be regarded with skepticism, since it was necessary, in order to use this boat, to secure the keys to the ignition of same from the caretaker, who lived nearby, and, according to the statement made by Willie, the cook, to other Agents, the Blackburns had made repairs to this same motor boat amounting to about \$35.00.

F. J. Donaghy,
Special Agent

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent T. G. Melvin on January 19, 1935. Inasmuch as several receipts and bills were found in the Bradford residence after the death of Fred and Kate Barker, on the latter head of E. Ross Allen, Director of the Florida Reptile Institute and Taxidermist, Mr. Allen was interviewed, and by reference to his books it was established that Fred Barker on November 27, 1934, brought a deer head to his place at Silver Springs, Florida, and requested that same be mounted. This deer head has not as yet been mounted, and will not be mounted until April, 1935; that on November 30, 1934, Barker brought another deer head in to be mounted, which was to be delivered to Joe Adams, El Comodore Hotel, Miami, Florida, after the work of mounting it had been completed. At this time Fred Barker brought in a deer hide to be tanned.

On December 2nd, 1934, F. M. Gale, a Merchant at Bellview, Florida, brought in a second deer hide, belonging to Fred Barker, to be tanned. This was to be sent to Mr. F. M. Gale at Oklawaha, Florida.

Both deer hides have been delivered but the deer heads will not be available for delivery until April, 1935.

The bill heads covering the above transaction are attached to this memorandum.

This memorandum covers investigative activities of Special Agents J. P. Lacour, and T. G. Malvin, and was dictated by these Agents:

Mr. W. C. Ray, the Proprietor of the Silver Springs Resort, Silver Springs, Florida, advised Special Agent in Charge, E. J. Connelley, that on or about January 10, 1935, a box of oranges was shipped to Mrs. J. C. Blackburn, North 6th Street, Chipley, Florida, and that it was the belief of Clayton F. Barber and his employees that Fred Barker shipped the oranges to Mrs. J. C. Blackburn; that there were four letters contained in the box, which were apparently to be forwarded from Chipley, Florida, and they were addressed as follows:

One to Miami, Florida,
One to Mobile, Ala.
One to some point in Virginia and
One to some point in Georgia.

In view of the similarity in names Agents interviewed Mr. W. J. Tillman, Cashier, Railway Express Company, at Ocala, Florida. He stated, after referring to his records, that on Thursday, January 10, 1935, a 45¢ box of oranges was shipped from Ocala, Florida, on the SAIBy train at 12:15 P. M. or 3:00 P. M.; that the box was valued at \$2.00. At the request of Agents, Mr. Tillman called Mr. J. D. Hepper, the Railway Express Agent at Chipley, Florida, who advised that he did not have his records available at the time of the long distance telephone conversation but that he was sure that the oranges had been delivered to Mrs. J. C. Blackburn, and further that Mrs. J. C. Blackburn was the widow of an undertaker in Chipley, Florida, and the mother of J. O. Blackburn, present undertaker at this time; that Mrs. Blackburn had an excellent reputation in and around Chipley, Florida.

Agents proceeded to Chipley, Florida, and interviewed Mr. J. D. Hepper, who stated that the shipment of oranges from Ocala, Florida, were delivered about 8:00 A. M. on January 11th, and that he had been advised by J. C. Blackburn, the son of Mrs. J. C. Blackburn, the oranges had been sent to her by one Jack L. Shivers; further that Mrs. J. C. Blackburn came of a very prominent family in Chipley and was well regarded in the community.

Agents interviewed Mrs. J. C. Blackburn who advised that she recalled receiving the shipment of oranges from Ocala, Florida, and that they were sent to her by Jack L. Shivers, a roomer in her home and a long time personal friend of her's and the family; that Shivers was deaf and walked with a limp, one leg being shorter than the other.

Mrs. Blackburn advised that Shivers was a brother of Major Olin G. Shivers, a State Senator from that District of Florida; that Olin G. Shivers was the Proprietor of the Shivers Hotel at Chipley Florida, and that he paid many of his brother's expenses.

When questioned about the letters contained in the box of oranges Mrs. Blackburn stated, that letters were in fact contained in the box of oranges, being two in number, both addressed to her, one bearing the return address of the Silver Springs Court and Grill, Silver Springs, Florida, and the other bearing the return address of the Whitley Hotel, Montgomery, Ala. Two 3¢ stamps were pasted on the letter bearing the return address of the Silver Springs Court and Grill, Silver Springs, Florida, the stamps apparently covering the postage for both letters.

Mrs. Blackburn tendered the letters in question to Agents, who were allowed to read same. They were then turned over to Agents and are attached to this memorandum. These letters are of a personal nature and reflect that Shivers apparently had known Mrs. Blackburn and her family for some time.

Agents were further advised by Mrs. Blackburn that Shivers was a harmless individual and would not be mixed up in criminal activities of any kind, in her opinion; that she had never been in Ocala, Florida, herself and knew of no Blackburns in and around Ocala; that her family originated at De Funiak Springs, Florida and had lived in Chipley for twenty years; that there was, however, another Mrs. Blackburn in town who was engaged in the operation of a beauty parlour.

Upon completion of the interview conducted with Mrs. J. C. Blackburn, the Agents discreetly contacted Sheriff John P. Harrell of Walton County, at Chipley, Florida, with the idea in mind of completely establishing the credibility of the information obtained from Mrs. Blackburn.

In this connection these Agents were advised by Sheriff Harrell that Mrs. Blackburn's position was entirely as she had represented it to the Agents inasmuch as she was a long time resident of Chipley, Florida, and that Jack Shivers had a room at her home and that Jack Shivers was a deaf cripple and that he could not believe it possible that this Shivers was implicated in any criminal activities, certainly not of the nature and magnitude of those on hand in this case. He further advised that Shivers had just recently collected about \$1,000.00 in insurance on a fire insurance policy, covering a piece of property, in which he had some interest, in Chipley, Florida, and that he personally knew that Shivers was driving about the State of Florida, living on this piece of money and dodging his local creditors in Chipley, Florida.

With reference to this other Mrs. Blackburn mentioned by Mrs. J. S. Blackburn, Sheriff Harrell stated that she was a Mrs. Lula Blackburn, who had recently moved to that County from Alabama, and that she had established herself in business in Ocala, Florida, through his financial backing, and that he was positive that she was not in any way concerned in the instant case.

Sheriff Harrell did, however, carry these Agents to the beauty parlor owned and operated by Mrs. Lula Blackburn where the Agents met this woman and got a brief outline of her past history and family connections through a suitable pretext.

It was learned that Mrs. Blackburn's husband, now deceased, was a former railroad man; that he lived and worked in the City of Montgomery, Ala., up until the time of his death and that he now has a brother in Montgomery, Ala., connected with the Central of Georgia Railroad. Mrs. Blackburn has a young daughter of about 15 years of age and this daughter and brother-in-law are the only Blackburns with whom she has any acquaintance and it was definitely established that this woman can have no connection with the case in hand.

It might be stated that Mrs. Lula Blackburn's husband's name was Flium Blackburn and she advised that he was employed as an Agent and Telegrapher with the A. O. L. and G. M. and N. Railroads operating through Montgomery, Ala.

With respect to Jack Shivers, Sheriff Harrell, further advised that it was his information, the origination of this information, he was unable to determine, that Shivers was presently in Miami, Florida, having gone to that point from Seale, Florida, or Silver Springs, Florida, and that prior to that time he had been in Montgomery, Ala.

It might also be mentioned that in one of the letters received by Mrs. Blackburn from Mr. Shivers, he made mention of the fact that mail, in a few days, could be directed to him at Madison, Florida.

In order to check further on the origin of the information relative to the shipment of oranges to Mrs. E. E. Blackburn, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton F. Barber and Boyd Garner, an employee, were questioned about the shipping of the oranges and they stated that as near as they can recall there were four letters in the box of oranges; that, however, Jack L. Shivers was the party who shipped the oranges and that they were not shipped by Fred Barker or any member of the Barker-Karpis gang.

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The following memorandum was dictated by Special Agent C. B. Winstead:

Special Agents J. C. White and Winstead located in the Buick coupe of Fred Barker a repair order of the United Motors Service Incorporated, dated October 17, 1934, number B 119691, showing work on the generator, etc., of Buick automobile, in the sum of \$40.75, in the name of T. C. Blackburn, which invoice is stamped paid by the Kansas City Branch.

Also an invoice from the Standard Oil Company, number 22814, issued by Service Station Number 75th Street S. B. 5285 (the name of the city does not appear) for servicing the Buick car in the name of Blackburn; also a Standard Oil Company invoice, number 23557, dated July 16, 1934, covering Buick, Illinois 1934 license number 750 974, for servicing. The first mentioned invoice is dated July 16, 1934, also.

In this car there was found a receipt issued by Electrical Equipment Company, 42 Northwest Fourth Street, Miami, Florida, dated November 2, 1934, for deposit on radio, in the name of T. C. Blackburn, El Comodoro Hotel, in the amount of \$35; also invoice of the Electrical Equipment Company number B 81209, dated November 2, 1934, at Miami, Florida, in the name of Mr. T. C. Blackburn, 114 Walnut Street, Saint Charles, Illinois, marked: Radio Job number 3776, 1 number 700 Philco auto radio serial number 91186 \$45.95, labor \$4.00, total \$49.95.

Another invoice found in this car was issued by the Electrical Equipment Company, 42 Northwest Fourth Street, Miami, Florida, dated November 2, 1934, in the amount of \$49.95, made to "cash on acct", marked "Credit Mr. T. C. Blackburn 114 Walnut Street, Saint Charles, Illinois".

A cash receipt issued by the Firestone Service Stores, Incorporated, 1200 West Flagler Street, Miami, Florida, number 187-4, to Cash, dated November third, covering Buick bearing Illinois license, for servicing.

All the above mentioned receipts are attached to this memorandum.

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SPECIAL Memorandum to Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley from Special Agent J. P. McLaughlin: RE: Mrs. A. T. Westberry

On the evening after the altercation at Lake Weir, a woman approached the writer while he was on guard duty at the main gate to the Bradford residence and advised that she had been frightened, as well as her daughter, in connection with the shooting occurring that morning; that her house had been shot into and she was never notified and that later she and her daughter climbed out of the back window attempting to escape and that bullets whizzed by her head. She advised that she heard someone holler stop, halt and get back a number of times, but that she was so frightened that she did not do this and crawled along the edge of the beach.

Later Mrs. Westberry was interviewed in the presence of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley and from all indications of her conversation she left the impression that she felt she should receive some material assistance from the Government of a financial nature for the shock she had suffered in connection with the siege on the Bradford house.

The following day, upon instructions of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, the writer attempted to replace the windows and screens in the house which were two in number, as they had been riddled by two bullets (only two); but Mr. Westberry stated that he would do this work himself, personally, providing the Government paid for it, whereupon the writer gave him Ten Dollars and took a receipt for same for all material damage done in connection with the two bullets in his house in breaking two panes of glass and ripping two screens.

In further connection with this case, due to the fact that Mrs. Westberry had hinted that she probably would endeavor to secure financial assistance from the Government in connection with her so-called mental shock from this altercation at Lake Weir, the writer, upon instructions of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, in company with Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, interviewed Mrs. F. E. Barber, who resides within twenty-five feet of the Westberry home.

Being the next door neighbor, and Mrs. Barber made the following signed statement, the original of which is attached to this memorandum:

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I, Mrs. F. G. Barber make the following statement regarding the Government who were stationed in back of my house. There were two Agents who informed me that they were Government men when they arrived and they acted at all times as gentlemen. A short time after they arrived I heard men shouting and then an outburst of shots took place.

I heard one of the Agents stationed back of my house yell get back a number of times and then halt and I was of the opinion that he was calling to the woman in the Blackburn house. A short time later an Agent appeared at my house and joined these other Agents. He offered to accompany me to the highway but I refused to go and leave the two women in the house next door. At this point one of the Agents stated that he had asked the people to leave next door but they had refused to do so. The other Agent then stated that perhaps the women he saw running along the lake front was the women next door, but that he could not determine this due to the fact that they would not stop.

I am satisfied that the Agents stationed in back of my house did everything possible to protect the people in the vicinity of my house and at all times performed their duties for the best interest of the Government and its citizens.

Signed

Mrs. F. G. Barber.

Witness:

J. T. McLaughlin, Special Agent
D. P. Sullivan, Special Agent
Division of Investigation
U. S. Dept. of Justice
Chicago, Ill.

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Mr. F. G. Barber was also interviewed during this time and he stated that he was very well acquainted with Fred Barker and to the fact that he acted as caretaker of the place for Mr. Bradford; that on one occasion he asked Barker, who was known to him as Blackburn, if he had any interest in the dog tracks in Miami which were owned by Bradford and that Fred stated that he did not have any interest in the dog tracks, but that "Ma" did, referring to Mrs. Barker. He further stated that from all indications he gained the impression in connection with his contacts with the Blackburns and was of the honest opinion that Bradford knew who these individuals were and that his principal reason for this is due to the fact that Bradford was closely connected with a man in Miami named Joe Adams, who had made a visit to the house on a number of occasions, and for the further reason that there was a tenant on the premises who was a fireman and that Fred Barker had these tenants removed before their month's rent was up and this was accomplished by a personal visit to Bradford at Miami.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Barber expressed the opinion that Mrs. Westberry was absolutely too "nosey" and untruthful in her accusation that the Agents did not take proper precaution to safeguard the citizens in the community. It is further stated that Mrs. Westberry after the altercation ran down the street and told people around the main highway that there were twenty men killed; that her house was riddled with bullets; that shots went over her head and through her hair and a man tried to kill her and her daughter by shooting at her when she tried to leave her home. The Barbers further stated that Mrs. Westberry attempted to get an opinion from the Barbers relative to whether they could sue the Government and collect damages and whether the Barbers would testify that they had not been warned to leave their home.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan on January 28, 1936, at Oklawaha, Florida:

J. W. Nelson, owner of the Oklawaha Inn, and owner and manager of the Nelson and Company Service Station and Garage, located on road number 41, in Oklawaha, was interviewed. Numerous photographs were shown him and he identified the photographs of Fred Barker as that of a man previously known to him under the name of Blackburn, and likewise identified the photograph of Harry Campbell as that of a man known to him as Mr. Summers, who was residing with Barker at the Bradford Estate on Lake Weir. He stated that Barker and Campbell occasionally came to his service station where they obtained gas, oil and minor repairs for their cars, a Ford sedan and a black Buick coupe; that they occasionally were accompanied by two women, one young and dark-haired and the other an elderly woman. Nelson could not positively identify photographs of Wynona Burdette, "Ma" Barker and others shown him.

Mr. Nelson stated that on one occasion Barker came into his garage and stated that he had a full set of connecting rods placed in the Buick at Orlando, Florida, while returning from a trip to Miami. Nelson stated that he went hunting with Barker at a lodge some miles distant from Oklawaha; that he spoke with him on several occasions, but that at no time did he mention his business, where he came from, or what he was doing, other than stating that he had been spending the winter at Miami.

Rhoda Mann, Oklawaha Inn, Oklawaha, Florida, who is employed at the above address as a waitress, was interviewed. She stated that late in November, Fred Barker, known to her by the name of Blackburn, came into the hotel and made a long distance telephone call to Miami, Florida, and identified himself to the party with whom he was conversing, by calling himself "Shorty". Miss Mann stated that from the telephone conversation it seemed as though Barker was speaking to the rental agent of the Bradford property and the general gist of the conversation was to the effect that he did not wish to pay water rent; that had been incurred by a previous tenant. Miss Mann especially recalled the conversation

because the amount of the water rent was a very small sum and in fact the telephone charge was greater than the bill itself.

Miss Mann stated that Barker occasionally thereafter came into the store and bought fishing tackle and that he was accompanied by another man at the times. She could not positively identify the photograph of Barker, but stated that it appeared to be the same individual as Blackburn.

She further stated that about three or four weeks ago a long distance call was received at the Inn and the operator asked for a Mr. Campbell. Miss Mann stated that not wishing to be bothered with locating persons she did not know she told the operator she knew no Campbell and heard nothing more concerning him. This woman was questioned thoroughly and had no other information of value to this investigation.

On the night of January 18, 1935, at the direction of Special Agent in Charge T. H. Stapleton, Special Agents J. E. McLaughlin and D. P. Sullivan took possession of the currency and numerous other personal effects found in the residence occupied by the Barkers at Oklawaha, Florida, and brought them to the Jacksonville Division Office, where the above property was turned over to Special Agent in Charge R. A. Alt.

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The following memorandum was dictated by Special Agent E. P. Sullivan:

During the time Special Agents J. R. McLaughlin, Alar Muzzey and the writer stayed in the home of Carson Bradford, Oklawaha, Florida, formerly occupied by Fred Barker and his mother, Kate Barker, Agent on various occasions interviewed Willie Woodbury, who was formerly employed as handyman by Fred Barker and during these interviews he stated that early in November, 1934, the small cottage located on the Bradford property, and immediately adjacent to the Bradford home, was occupied by Mr. Tom Sexton, a fireman at Ocala, Florida, and Woodbury was employed by Sexton. During this time, Fred Barker and his mother drove up in the Buick coupe owned by Fred Barker and Harry Campbell, accompanied by a negro butler by the name of Johnson, drove up in a black Ford V-8 coupe, having yellow wheels. (It is to be noted that Woodbury knew Barker and his mother only by the name of Blackburn and knew Campbell and Wynona Burdette, who will be mentioned hereinafter, as Mr. and Mrs. Summers.)

Woodbury stated that Harry Campbell resided with the Barkers almost continuously with the exception of approximately three weeks on one occasion, perhaps early in December, when he went away not stating his destination.

Woodbury stated that Campbell and the two Barkers, mother and son, left for Miami a week before Christmas and returned in three or four days with Mrs. Summers, whom Woodbury identified from a photograph as being Wynona Burdette. He stated that Fred Barker and his mother made several trips to Miami, and after one trip, the destination of which he did not know, Fred returned with a large bag of pecans and twenty-two boxes of candy.

On another trip, Fred returned with a man, whom Woodbury identified from a photograph as being Karpis, who stayed overnight. The following day Fred Barker took Karpis back to Miami, and before he left Mrs. Barker gave Karpis a present for a baby, which Woodbury believed was to be expected shortly by Karpis' wife. On the day before New Years, Fred Barker and Harry Campbell left with a number of Christmas presents for a baby which Woodbury understood was not yet born, but expected shortly, stating that they were going to Miami.

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New Years Eve, two men, identified by photographs shown to Woodbury as being "Slim" Gray and "Doc" Barker, arrived at the Bradford house in a 1934 Ford V-8 sedan, which was black and had yellow wire wheels. No one was home at the time of their arrival, but Kate Barker returned shortly thereafter and "Doc" Barker, who was known to Woodbury by the name of "Shorty" stated on his arrival that he had met his mother in Orlando and she had directed him to the house. Woodbury stated that the mentioned Ford sedan bore Illinois license plates, the number of which he could not recall.

Woodbury further stated that Wynona Burdette received a daily newspaper from Chicago, Illinois, the name of which he did not know, stating that each evening they gathered together all the newspapers in the house and burned them in the fireplace.

On Sunday, January 13, 1935, Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette, left and stated that they would return on Tuesday, January fifteenth. Woodbury has not seen or heard from them since. He stated that Campbell was wearing, as he ordinarily did, a light grey suit, and a light tan hat, and before leaving he stated that he very likely would see the negro butler, known by the name of Johnson, who was employed by Campbell for approximately two weeks after their arrival at Oklawaha. Campbell indicated that he was going to Miami and Woodbury got the idea that Johnson was working in a hotel where Campbell expected to stop.

Woodbury stated that during the time that Campbell resided at Oklawaha, he drank heavily and continuously; that his movements are characteristically slow and lazy-like and he was always running his fingers through his hair.

On two occasions when no one was home, a young man about twenty-five or thirty years of age, with blonde hair, medium slender build, fair complexion, who spoke with a foreign accent, called at the Barker residence and asked for Blackburn and left a message for Blackburn to call him at the El Commodore Hotel in Miami, Florida. This man drove a Ford V-8 coupe of black color. Woodbury did not know his name and had no further information regarding him.

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On another occasion Mr. Bradford visited the house for a short while. Woodbury stated that Fred Barker told him that he had rented the residence through a Mr. Adams at Miami, Florida, and one day a man called at the place and Woodbury asked him if his name was Adams and he said, "Yes" and that he had rented the Bradford place to Blackburn.

Woodbury stated that the .33 calibre lever rifle and the pump shotgun as well as the .22 calibre automatic rifle, belonged to Fred Barker. He stated that the automatic rifle was referred to by Barker as his "Big Bertha".

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent John L. Madala on January 19, 1935, at Ocala, Florida;

On the night of January 18, 1935, Mr. J. F. Johnson, who identified himself as being the manager of the Ocala Motor Company, Ocala, advised Agent at the Marion Hotel, Ocala, that his company had done some repair work on a 1934 model Ford V-8 sedan for Mrs. G. F. Summers, on December 15, 1934. Mr. Johnson requested Agent to appear at his office the following day for complete details of this transaction.

On January 19, 1935, Agent called at the Ocala Motor Company, a Ford agency, and Mr. Johnson introduced Agent to A. S. Hunter, Shop Foreman, and in this connection advised that Mr. Hunter is the person who handled the transaction in question.

Mr. Hunter upon being interviewed, advised that on December 15, 1934, shortly before noon, a woman, whom he described as being a tall, dark-complected and black-haired person, drove a 1934 Ford V-8 sedan into the garage and requested that same be inspected for repairs. Mr. Hunter described this car as a four-door deluxe sedan, black in color, yellow wire wheels with firestone tires. He further stated that he believed that same bore either Illinois, Tennessee or Florida license tags.

Mr. Hunter stated that while the car was being repaired Mrs. Summers made inquiry of him concerning a 1935 model Ford car and asked what price he would give her on a trade-in for her old car. She further stated to Mr. Hunter that she was temporarily residing on Lake Weir at Oklawaha, Florida, and in this connection asked him to drive to her place immediately after the 1935 models arrived.

Further information received from Mr. Hunter discloses that after Mrs. Summers' car had received the necessary repairs, she called for it that afternoon and paid him the charges which were \$5.40, with a Ten Dollar Bill. He stated that at this

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time Mrs. Summers was accompanied by an elderly lady, whom he positively identified as Kate Barker; further that Mrs. Barker made inquiries of him concerning whether he would be interested in trading a 1934 model Ford coupe for two diamond rings and a race horse, which she professed to own. Mr. Hunter advised that the diamond rings in question were worn by Mrs. Barker at the time; however, he advised her that he was not interested in the deal of trading a new car for the above jewelry and the race horse in question.

Before Agent's departure, Mr. Hunter advised that he recognized a picture of Arthur "Doc" Barker, which appeared in a local newspaper, as being a man who had been in the shop one day before Christmas or New Years; that on this occasion this man appeared in a 1933 model Ford V-8 sedan, black in color, bearing Florida license plates, and was accompanied by another man whom Mr. Hunter saw at a distance. He stated that the former man asked him about a good buy on a 1934 model Ford V-8 sedan, and he stated that he did not have any used cars in the garage at that time and suggested that this man leave his name and address, stating that he, Hunter, would contact him just as soon as he received a used car. According to Hunter, this man stated that he was temporarily stopping with some friends at Oklawaha, Florida, and that he was expecting to leave immediately after New Years.

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Agent interviewed Mr. Henry Kruger, owner of the Kruger Florist Company, Silver Springs Boulevard, Coala, Florida, and he advised that on November 26, 1934, a man, whom he recognized as being identical with Fred Barker, appeared at his florist shop and ordered flowers sent to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Adams, El Comodore Hotel, Miami, Florida; that he ordered two dozen chrysanthemums, paying six dollars for this bouquet. Mr. Kruger stated that he wired the above order to the Exotic Gardens, Florists, Miami, Florida, and requested them to place on the card as the sender of these flowers the names T. C. Blackburn and Mrs. G. E. Ryan, which names were given to Mr. Kruger by Blackburn.

Agent talked with Miss Leavengood and she advised that this man, who gave his name as Blackburn, and whom she identified as Fred Barker, ordered a dozen roses from her and requested that they be sent to ART HEAVENRANDT and JAMES PAXON in care of the Harvard Club, 639 Harvard Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. He further requested that the name, J. C. Blackburn, be placed on the card as the sender of these flowers.

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In this connection, Mr. Kruger advised that he wired the above order to the Guenther Floral Company, 3238 Lorraine Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, on the same date, and, according to his records, the flowers were delivered on Thanksgiving morning, November 29, 1934.

Miscellaneous activity and interviews by Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley at Oklawaha and Ocala, Florida:

Gerson Bradford, 5158 North Bay Road, Miami Beach, where his summer home is located, and who also lives during part of the year in the Salisbury Apartments, 224 Venetian Avenue, Miami, Florida, and who owns the property which was occupied by Fred and Kate Barker on January 16, 1935, was interviewed in the presence of Special Agents T. E. Walsh and J. L. Madala at the Marion Hotel, Ocala, Florida. He advised that he had not rented this place to the Subjects, this being the summer home of his parents; that the place had been rented by one Joe Adams, Adams being the manager of the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami, which hotel is operated by the father-in-law of Adams, a Mr. Knight; that Adams had come to him and advised he believed he could rent his place in Oklawaha for \$75.00 or \$100.00 per month; that the little house located on this same property was then renting for \$25.00 per month; that previous to this time he had never on any occasion rented out his home at Oklawaha to any one; that Adams asked him for the keys of the house and he furnished them to him; that he believed possibly Adams drove up with the prospective tenants to look over the property; that he believes they looked at this property and then made inquiry as to how many months they could use same; that, as he recalls they paid the first and last month of the rent in advance, namely \$150.00, same being rented at a rental of \$75.00 per month. He insisted that he did not know these parties and never saw them.

He advised that he has a small interest in the Biscayne Kennel Club, Miami, Florida; that he does not know Willie Heaney; that he knows the partner of Eddie O'Hare, Anderson, who is interested in the Miami Club at Miami; that Joe Adams above referred to is also interested in the Biscayne Kennel Club; that Adams married during the past summer and that he allowed him the use of his home at Oklawaha to spend his honeymoon. He advised that he may have seen Doc Barker sometime, but does not recall ever having seen Fred Barker. In connection with the Biscayne Kennel Club, he advised that a party by the name of Quinn handles the money at the track; that Ben Costello is the mutual man at the track and that Joe Adams is manager of the plant; that J. R. Knight, Adam's father-in-law is President of the Club and also owns the El Comodoro Hotel; that they started this plant, the Biscayne Kennel Club, on \$8,000 and have since increased the capital to \$15,000.

He insisted that he was never arrested except on one occasion; that when he was 15 years of age he ran away from home at Nashville, Tennessee, and was picked up in Chicago and returned to Nashville. He advised that \$150.00 received for the rental of his house was paid by three \$50.00 bills. In answer to the question as to why he had rented this place to these parties

under the above indicated conditions, he advised "The answer is, a man needs money and he took a chance". He advised that he believes these parties made two trips to Miami to complain against the people located in the small cottage, Mr. and Mrs. Sexton, and when they refused to remove at his, Bradford's, request, he had process issued against them and they were ejected from the property; that all of this was done through Joe Adams.

This party is rather evasive in his answers and has insisted that he did not know any of the parties who were renting his place or what their business or connections were. He was inclined to press the point as to whether or not the Government should pay for the damages caused by shooting into his property and indicated he might ask his Congressman to get through a special bill to reimburse him for his loss in this connection. It is indicated that he will claim possibly \$2,000 or \$5,000 damages, which is inconsistent with the damage done by the bullets passing through this house, and in this report will be set out a detailed statement of the observations of the Agents who examined each room and noted the bullet holes through the house. This party is believed to be equally responsible with Joe Adams for the renting of this place to these subjects, it being noted that this was the first occasion upon which he had rented out the property, and he apparently rented same out at what is a very good price considering the location.

On January 19th Louise Leitner, Oklawaha, who lives in about the third house west of the Carson Bradford property with a negro servant and her child, she being a divorcee, advised she formerly rented an apartment to the Sextons who lived in the small cottage on the Carson Bradford property while she was living in Ocala; that she later moved down to Oklawaha and she thereafter visited from time to time with the Sextons; that she knew the parties living in the big house as the Blackburns; that the party known as Mr. Blackburn, who was the son of the woman in the big house, came over and visited with the Sextons and at this time met her and offered to drive her over to the Post Office, which he did, driving her over in a Buick coupe. Thereafter he asked her to go for a ride, and they drove to Leesburg, Florida, and came back. She advised that they did not get out of the car; that she was never inside the big house while these people were there and that the old lady looked her over very carefully when Freddie drove her up in front of the house. She recognized the picture of Fred Barker and advised that she believed she had seen Doc Barker, judging from his picture; that she never got a very close look at him; that she believed the picture of Campbell looked familiar to her; that her meeting with Fred Barker was before Christmas, December 25, 1934; that she noticed the woman who was living with the other party at this place, in town, paying particular attention to her because she was walking

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around with a cigarette in her mouth. In her conversation with Fred Barker she asked him what kind of work he was doing, and he stated "I would be surprised", to which she answered "Oh, I am a nurse", at which time Freddie looked at her rather surprised. She advised that Freddie Barker later wanted to take her out on a trip to Ocala, and she would not go; that just prior to this time she had noticed someone was doing a considerable amount of shooting on the lane.

Mrs. A. T. Westberry and daughter Wilma, who live in the house at the end of the lane East of the Carson Bradford property and whose house was shot into at least four times from the Bradford house by either Fred or Kate Barker on the morning of January 17, 1935, advised that she noticed that these people always kept their lights on in the garage at night and that on occasions when her husband, who comes home over the weekend, came down into the lane, Freddie and the other fellow would throw a flashlight on him; that they were shooting through the trees in front of the house and on the lane.

On January 17, 1935, a telegram was received via Postal Telegraph from Carthage, Missouri, addressed to the Sheriff of Marion County, Ocala, Florida as follows: "George Barker wishes to claim bodies son Fred and mother slain in your county yesterday stop Wishes information concerning money and personal property in his possession stop Wire immediately Oll Rogers, Sheriff, Jasper County".

Deputy Sheriff Williams, Ocala, Florida, answered the above telegram, advising this party that these bodies were ready for him whenever he wished to claim them and that the inquiries as to the personal property found on these subjects should be made of the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, Florida.

On the afternoon of Sunday, January 20, 1935, telephonic communication was had with the New York office, and they were advised that Frankie Foster, believed to be one and the same as the Frankie Foster considered a suspect in the Lingle murder at Chicago, Illinois, was believed to be in New York and that Harry Sawyer was being hidden by him, as per information we had received from Monty Carter at Chicago and a request was made that they try to locate this party and cover him for the location of Sawyer as well as a possible contact of him by Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis, who had apparently left Atlantic City on the morning of this date and might have headed toward New York. It was indicated in the statement of Carter that he had heard Doc Barker say to Willie Harrison that Gladys was with Sawyer and they were with Foster.

Special Agent in Charge Larson was telephonically advised from Jacksonville, Florida, on the afternoon of January 20, 1935, that a check in Ocala, Florida, it was learned that Freddie Barker, under the name of Blackburn, on November 29, 1934, had had flowers telegraphed to Art Heavebrandt and James Paxton, 339 Harvard Avenue, s/o the Harvard Club, Cleveland, Ohio; that in ordering these flowers he had asked the florist what would be most suitable for two business men to place on their desk. These flowers were telegraphed from Ocala, Florida, through the Gunther Floral Company, 5228 Lorraine Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio. It was noted in this connection that Art and Shimmy had been referred to as contacts of the gang by Monty Carter, and the Detroit office's attention was called to the fact that Art and Shimmy had previously been mentioned in connection with the Harvard Club and were probably the two above mentioned parties. It was also indicated that "Cash" in Detroit was a contact of the gang and it was suggested that they make efforts to suitably move these parties for the possible apprehension of Campbell and Karpis who had left Atlantic City the morning of this date.

On January 18, 1935, Sheriff J. P. Ramsey, telephoned Special Agent in Charge Alt, Jacksonville, Florida, that a negro in that community had seen a party whom he believed to be Alvin Karpis. Special Agent in Charge Connelley, together with Agents J. C. White, J. L. Madala, and C. B. Winstead immediately proceeded to Gainesville, Florida, and contacted Sheriff J. P. Ramsey. Thereafter he brought in Alex Trapp, who lives at the corner of Church and Grove Streets, Gainesville and he related a story to the effect that a party had driven up to where he was standing on the street near the T. & J. railroad tracks in Gainesville, Florida, and asked him if he was working; that he told him he was working, and the party said "I want you to do something for me". He then said "Jump on the running board", which he did and they rode out to the Underpass. The party then asked him if there were any hardware stores and requested that he obtain for him some 30-30 shells, offering him \$50.00 with which to purchase these shells; that he, Trapp, suggested to this party that he keep the money until he could see whether the hardware store had this ammunition in stock; that thereafter he made inquiry of the hardware store in Gainesville and learned that it would cost him \$56.00; that prior to leaving this party arrangements were made whereby he was to make a contact with him at 9:00 A.M. on January 18th to obtain the money so that he could return and buy this ammunition; that he was to meet this party, who was accompanied by a woman, at Micanopy, Florida, which is on highway 441, to the South of Gainesville, at the crossroad toward Ocala; that this party would weigh about 175 pounds, had brown hair, was 32 to 33 years of age, and 5' 11" in height; that the man remained in the car; that the woman accompanying him was a blonde, about 29 to 30 years of age, with light eyes, a long brown coat with fur neck and sleeves and a small black hat, weight about

155 pounds, hair bobbed, and was possibly over five feet in height. That they were driving a dark blue 1935 Chrysler sedan with the top up and that the top was colored gray; that, thereafter, while traveling with Sheriff Ramsey and his deputy, he made contact again with these parties on the morning of January 18th near Peoples City in Michigan, that they picked him up in the car he was using about 12 miles east of the meeting point; that they drove back to the road which leads to Orange Lake, where the woman got out of the car and got into his car; that she lay down in the back seat of the car and told him to drive her to Ocala; that his car broke down about two miles north of Ocala and he left her there and had someone tow him back in his car to Reddick; that she told him to meet them at 4:30 at the same meeting place on the evening of this date; that this woman had a \$1,000 bill and a .38 Smith & Wesson pistol in her side pocket; that the man upon driving off in the morning went toward the lake. This individual later changed his story stating that he left the woman out at the first filling station, just outside of Ocala and further varied his story considerably from what he had told earlier in the day and also from what he had told the Sheriff. He was unable to pick out the picture of any of the subjects involved in this case as being that of the party he had seen. There is no question but what this individual made inquiry at the hardware store at Gainesville, for the purchase of one thousand rounds of 30-30 ammunition, but it is doubtful what purpose he was to use this for, he not having any money of his own with which to buy any ammunition. However, to make sure that nothing was missed in this connection, Agents proceeded to the designated point and concealed themselves in a wooded section close to the highway without the knowledge of this negro who was to be left at the designated place by the Sheriff in order to make the contact. It is interesting to note that although the deputy sheriff took this negro out in the morning to make the contact and the negro came back to him and said the party was down at the meeting place, the deputy did not verify whether he had contacted anyone at all, and the deputy immediately proceeded about 15 miles to Ocala and was therefore, not in any position to verify whether any contact had been made on that morning or whether this was a fabrication on the part of Trapp. The negro appeared at the location and after waiting for about an hour and a half beyond the designated meeting time, he indicated that he did not believe they were going to contact him. From the circumstances above set forth and from an observation of this negro in talking to him, it is believed that this story was conceived by him for the purpose of concealing the real purpose for which he was trying to buy this ammunition. Arrangements were made with the Sheriff to maintain contact with this negro, through someone personally, for any later information he may obtain and communicate same to the Jacksonville office. It is not believed this contact was made with any of the subjects in this case or that he met anyone as he states he did.

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On January 15th telephonic communication was had with Special Agent in Charge Kadd of Chicago and he was advised that we would raid the place at Oklawaha at approximately 4:00 A.M., or 4:30 A.M. Chicago time, in order that he might make arrangements to raid the Bremer hideout at Bensenville, Illinois, at approximately the same time and also endeavor to apprehend Allderton and Elmer Farmer, as covered in the statement of Monty Carter.

In connection with the raid conducted at Oklawaha, Florida, on January 16th, immediately upon its successful consummation, Special Agents R. D. Brown, E. L. Jones, C. E. Campbell and S. E. McKee proceeded via plane, which was waiting at Ocala, to Miami, Florida, in order to endeavor to locate Campbell and Karpis if they were still at this place.

In conversation with Frank Barber, living on the lane leading into the Carson Bradford property, and who also acts as caretaker of this property for Carson Bradford when it is not occupied, he advised that on one occasion while in conversation with Freddie Barker, Barker made some reference to the fact that his mother was interested in a dog track; that he believed Barker had reference to the dog track in Miami, Florida. This information was telephoned to Special Agent in Charge Hanson at Miami, Florida, in order that he might cover this in connection with the work he is doing there.

In connection with the \$4,000 found on the person of Fred Barker and the \$10,000 found in the pocketbook of Kate Barker at Oklawaha, telephonic communication was had with Special Agent in Charge Alt at Jacksonville and it was suggested that he communicate with the Division telephonically as to what action he should take in connection with this, inasmuch as L. E. Futch, the coroner, under the Florida law, would ordinarily be required to take possession of any money and personal property found on the person of deceased persons, as well as other property; also to take the same action as to the Buick coupe which was found on the premises and which had apparently been used by Fred and Kate Barker. It was also suggested that the United States Attorney communicate with him or contact him at the Marian Hotel, Ocala, Florida, in order that this matter might be worked out to the satisfaction of Mr. L. E. Futch, the County Judge and coroner, inasmuch as he had been very cooperative with us in this matter, and thereafter Assistant United States Attorneys Page and House arrived at Ocala, Florida, on January 17, 1935, and the situation as to this money and the automobile was presented to them. They could offer no suggestion other than that possibly a subpoena duces tecum should be issued out of St. Paul, the district of prosecution,

for this property, in order that the Marshal might take custody of same. This information was communicated to the Division and also to Special Agent in Charge Alt, Jacksonville, Florida, with the suggestion that Special Agent in Charge Alt communicate with the Division in order that they might communicate with St. Paul as to having the necessary process issued which was done, and subsequently a subpoena duces tecum was issued for the money which had been recovered, as well as the automobile. The subpoenas were served upon L. E. Futch and the property and automobile were subsequently turned over to the United States Marshal, as will be covered in reports of the Jacksonville office.

In a telephonic conversation with Mr. Tamm of the Division, Special Agent in Charge Alt at the Jacksonville office, on January 19, 1935, it was indicated in connection with the subpoenas issued for the \$14,000 and the Buick automobile, that this was for the protection of the Coroner and there was nothing he was required to do; that it would not be necessary for the Coroner to appear when the Marshal served him with this process; that it would be sufficient to deliver the money into the custody of the United States Marshal or the Agents concerned. This process was issued to cover 1934 Buick coupe, motor No. 2884746, bearing 1934 Illinois license No. 750-974, which information was telephoned by Special Agent in Charge Alt to the St. Paul office.

On January 19, 1935, United States Attorney Sullivan, St. Paul, Minnesota, telephoned the United States Marshal, Southern District of Florida, Jacksonville, Florida, to serve a subpoena upon Coroner L. E. Futch, Marion County, Ocala, Florida, to appear in district court at St. Paul, Minnesota and produce etc. 1934 Buick coupe motor Nos. 2884746 and all the currency, notes and moneys taken or recovered on or about January 16, 1935, from Fred Barker and Kate Barker, aggregating \$14,512.00, more or less, etc.

In connection with the activity reported by Special Agent Solis with reference to the Winchester .33 calibre lever action rifle, which was forwarded by Barker for repairs, it is noted that the number is illegible on this gun, which gun has been forwarded to the Division as of January 22, 1935, from Jacksonville, Florida, in order that if possible the number may be brought out, and if this is accomplished, effort will be made to trace this gun. When the number is brought out, further inquiry will be made of the Winchester factory as to whether or not this was the gun upon which repairs were made.

With reference to the investigative activity reported by Special Agent J. C. White and with special reference to the party who called at the Carson Bradford home in Oklawaha and took away a box of oranges in

his coupe automobile, from the description and later conversation with Duke Randall, Miami, Florida, it was indicated that this was the party who called on this occasion.

With reference to the activity reported by Special Agent J. J. McLaughlin, and particularly his reference to Mrs. E. E. Westberry and her indication that she had not been notified to leave her home, memoranda will be later submitted by Special Agents E. D. Brown and E. J. McKee, who were covering the situation from the rear of the house of Frank Barber, as to the fact that she had been notified to depart from her house and would not do so until after the shooting started, at which time she left from the rear window and Agents Brown and McKee, not being certain of their identity when they were seen running along the beach, that is Mrs. Westberry and her daughter, fired over their heads when they were commanded to halt and did not do so, Agent Brown at that time being under the impression that this was a man and woman running along the beach, they being somewhat concealed by the trees and undergrowth. (The submission of these memoranda was delayed due to the fact that these Agents immediately proceeded to Miami Florida and Havana, Cuba.)

As to the latent fingerprints described in the investigative activity reported by Special Agent in Charge Stapleton, which he indicated were forwarded to the Division for development, these photographic films were forwarded to the Chicago office for development. However, Agent Donaghy of the Charlotte office, who photographed these prints together with Agent McDade, placed the exposed films in blue Postal Telegraph envelopes for forwarding and consequently the light filtered through such envelopes and destroyed the films for further development, as nothing appeared on them when they were developed at the Chicago office where they were taken by Agent McDade upon his return North on January 20, 1935, from Jacksonville, Florida.

In connection with the guns and ammunition recovered at the Carson Bradford home, Oklawaha, Florida, these being the guns in possession of Fred and Kate Barker, on January 16, 1935, they were shipped to the Division on January 22, 1935 from Jacksonville, Florida, by Special Agent J. C. White, as covered in the following memorandum:

GUNS, BUSTOLS, CARTRIDGES and BULLET SHELLS

TAKEN AT THE BARKER HOUSE AT OKLAWAHA, FLORIDA ON

JANUARY 16, 1935.

One Thompson Machine Gun - 1921 Model - Number illegible
One Thompson Machine Gun - 1921 Model - Number illegible

One 50-cartridge drum for Thompson Machine gun - did contain fifty loaded shells
 One 50-cartridge drum for Thompson Machine gun - did contain
 One 100-cartridge drum for Thompson Machine gun - did contain seventy loaded shells
 One stock for Thompson Machine gun - Number 180657
 One .45 calibre Colt's Automatic Pistol Number 0-180657 - damaged by bullet hitting handle
 One .45 Calibre Colt's Automatic Pistol Number 0-181841
 Nine .45 automatic pistol clips
 One .380 Calibre Automatic Colt Pistol - number illegible
 Five .380 automatic pistol clips
 One Browning 12 gauge Automatic Shotgun - Number 22870
 One Remington 12 gauge pump shotgun - Number 27257
 One Winchester .55 calibre lever action rifle - Number illegible

The above were shipped to the Division, Washington, D. C. on January 22, 1935, via Railway Express Agency.

In connection with the loaded shells taken from the drums of these guns, these were also forwarded in the shipment to the Division. There were also included in this shipment numerous other shells picked up inside the house, which were evidently .45 calibre bullets fired from the machine guns by either Fred or Kate Barker.

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The following is a continuation of the interview had with Wynona Burdett by Special Agent in Charge Connolly at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on January 21 and 22, 1935, in the presence of Special Agent J. L. Madala.

Reference should be had to previous interview set out and included in the report submitted by the Philadelphia office as to the first interview had with Wynona Burdett on January 21, 1935. Wynona Burdett advised on January 22 in connection with the \$1,000 which had been furnished Dolores Delaney by Duke Randall on January 17, 1935, that on the previous night, when the boys learned of the shooting at Oklawaha, Florida, she drove up to the dog track and contacted a party by the name of "Duke" and requested that he come out and meet Karpis and Campbell; that Duke advised, however, that he could not come out and Ray then went out with Harry to see Duke, this being on Wednesday evening, January 16, 1935; that after contacting Duke Randall they drove out in the country and separated on the road, Campbell and Karpis leaving in a Buick automobile, while she and Dolores drove back into town in the Ford sedan; that thereafter they turned the Ford sedan over to Duke Randall to put away and she does not know what he did with it, this being turned over to him on the street. The car was turned over on the following morning, January 17th, just before she and Dolores proceeded to the railroad station, they taking a cab to the station.

Previously that morning, they had gone to the Pinal Hotel and saw this same party she knew as Duke, not knowing his last name, and went up to his room. She stated that she did not see Duke give Dolores the \$1,000; that Dolores bought both tickets for them and did not give her any money out of this \$1,000. She advised that when she first approached Duke the night before and advised him that Ray wanted to see him, Randall said "Ray who? Does he live out on Biscayne?". She advised they were living at the address in Miami under either the name of Gray or Green; that Karpis visited her, Campbell and Freddie and Kate Barker at Oklawaha on January 9, 1935; that they did not know, at least she herself did not know, of the death of Slim Gray until January 13, 1935, when they went to Miami and she read of same in a Chicago paper. She advised both Campbell and Karpis were getting papers which were being mailed to them. Upon arrival in Miami on January 13, 1935, she and Campbell checked into room 706 at the El Comodoro Hotel about 10 P.M.; thereafter they proceeded to the place where Dolores and Karpis were staying, and remained at the house with Karpis and Dolores, checking out of the hotel the following day. She advised that Harry Campbell and Freddie Barker went down to Miami the day after Christmas, that thereafter she saw "Doc" and Slim at Oklawaha, they staying overnight. She advised that Dr. Douglas at Toledo, Ohio, performed two operations upon her during the past fall and the bills were paid by Campbell; that she believed that Harry Campbell was rather broke at this time and only had about \$500.00, and that she knows he had one .45 caliber automatic.

Dolores Delaney was interviewed at the Hahnemann Hospital in Philadelphia on January 31, 1935, by Special Agent in Charge Connelley in the presence of Special Agent J. L. Mahoney.

She advised that she is 25 years of age and later corrected this to indicate that she is 19 years of age. She advised that she is not married to Alvin Karpis; that she has been associated with him for some time, having met him in Chicago where she was living with her brother, Robert Delaney; that part of this time she had done some housework in Chicago; that she attended high school to the senior year, having attended Hyde Park High School, Chicago; that she left this high school about three years ago. She advised that she was not working at the time she met Karpis; that she was never arrested previously; that she had picked Ray, or Karpis, up on the street; that thereafter she met him a couple of times and then did not see him for some time; that later he appeared, this being about June, 1933, and that they then started living together; that she never believed he was in on the Bremer kidnaping; that if has only been a short time since she knew definitely he was wanted by the Government; that she saw it stated in the newspaper that he was being sought by the Government in connection with the Bremer kidnaping; that she believed she was living in Chicago at that time with Karpis; that she never at any time saw his father or mother and he never mentioned them to her; that they lived in the South Side near 71st Street, where they had their own furniture; that she does not know where he purchased the furniture for this place and that they lived at this address approximately three months; that she believes she met him first in Chicago in May or June, 1933, and that thereafter she went home to St. Paul for a visit, Karpis remaining in Chicago. She advised that as she recalls, they lived at 7153 Yates Avenue in an apartment; that previous to this they had lived about one month at the Orlando Hotel in Chicago, and that they were living at 7153 Yates Avenue during Christmas of 1933.

She advised that she was with him the night before she read in the papers of the kidnaping of Bremer, and that she was with him at the time this occurred. She indicates that she loves this man and that he is the father of her child; that they were living on Yates Avenue at the time of the kidnaping and that they probably lived at the Yates Avenue address until March, 1934; that she is certain she was with him on the day in Chicago that it came out in the papers that Bremer had been kidnaped; that they were living at this address under the name of Hoffman, which name they also used at the Orlando Hotel, and that she, herself, has never been to Bensenville. She advised; "I read in the paper of the kidnaping of Bremer and I guess we were still at the apartment. Ray may have been away part of the time while Bremer was held. He had no boots or breeches. I don't think he was in St.

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Paul while they were looking for Bremer. I think we left the apartment the last of March or the first of April. I believe we lived in the apartment in December, 1933. I think we got back from Reno, Nevada, in November, 1933. I don't know whether Ray was home when I read of the payment of the money to get Bremer. I don't know how he got his money before this time. He never had much money, but we had enough to live in comfortably. We moved to Cleveland and stopped at Toledo and took a place down town in Toledo. After being shown pictures of the various members of the Karpis and Barker gang, she advised that she never saw much of these parties, although she may have seen them around. She advised: "I don't recall meeting Kate Barker. I saw Wynona at Toledo, Ohio. I believe I met her there." She advised that she does not know Doc Moran or Jimmie Wilson; that when the other girls were picked up in Cleveland, Ohio, she went to Chicago and stopped at the Hotel Southmoor, staying there probably a little over one week, being there alone and that Karpis later called for her, she at that time meeting him on the corner with a small bag, this being in September, 1934. She advised: "I think possibly we went down to Florida. I was not with the other girls." She stated that Ray Karpis told her to go to this hotel, and that she did not know of the other girls being picked up until she read of it in the newspapers; that she did not recognize the name of Willie Harrison, who apparently is the party known to her as "Will", who lived with them for a few days in Cleveland, and that she did not know his clothes were at their place.

She advised that Karpis did not marry her, although he said he wanted to marry her; that she imagined he was some sort of a bootlegger; that she never saw his guns; however, that she saw a pistol a couple of times; that they proceeded to Florida and went to the El Comodoro Hotel at Miami, staying under the name of Wagner; that she believes he knew Joe Adams through having met him while Joe Adams was the Manager of this hotel; that they were here only a short time when they went to Havana, Cuba; that she recalls writing the letter found at Oklawaha, Florida, in the home occupied by Kate and Fred Barker, from the Park View Hotel, Havana, Cuba, to Joe Adams at Miami; that the party "Heller" was a man at the Hotel Park View in Havana; that they were at this hotel for quite a while; that they went over there in a plane; that this letter was written at the direction of Karpis, who instructed her to sign same "Mr. Wagner"; that Kate Barker did not live at the El Comodoro Hotel while she was there, however, she later came to visit in Havana, Cuba, and stopped at the Park View Hotel, the same hotel at which she and Alvin Karpis were stopping under the name of Wagner. She advised she did not know who Kate Barker was except to see her; that she possibly met all of them, that is the members of the gang, from time to time; that she knew Kate Barker was called "Mother", but that she did not know whose mother she was at that time; that Kate Barker stayed for two days on this visit; that she remembers while they were living in Miami on one occasion she came home from shopping, and that there were a couple of packages containing baby clothes there; that to the best of her recollection

it was before they were in Cleveland that she first saw Willie that Willie was not in Cuba to her knowledge; that possibly around Christmas a fellow was at Miami who may have been Willie Harrison, he being in a car parked in front of the hotel; that she does not recall a George and name, this being George and Irene Zeigler alias (Gates); that she remembers some woman of this name, but cannot place her; that she paid \$49.70 for rent for their quarters, that is hers and Wynona Burdett's, obtaining a drawing room, on January 11, 1935, for the trip from Miami to Philadelphia, where they changed trains and proceeded to Atlantic City; that she first heard over the radio of the shooting at Oklawaha, but at that time it had not been determined that these people had been killed on January 16, 1935; that it was announced over the radio that the Bremer kidnapers were in a house at Oklawaha, and that four gas bombs were being thrown into the house; that she believed Karpis came home with Campbell and told them to go and see Karpis, then left with Harry, Campbell and Wynona Burdett having stopped with them at Miami since their arrival on January 16, 1935; that she recalls they were living at 1121 N.E. 85th Street, having lived at this place for possibly a month, at which place they used the name of Green; that they had a Buick sedan which they were driving that they had obtained about the time they had moved into this house. She advised that she believed they had a Ford coupe prior to this. She advised that she is desirous of having a baby and that she wanted to marry Karpis, but she did not believe they could be married, because of the fact that he was too "hot", and that Karpis was the man who had seduced her.

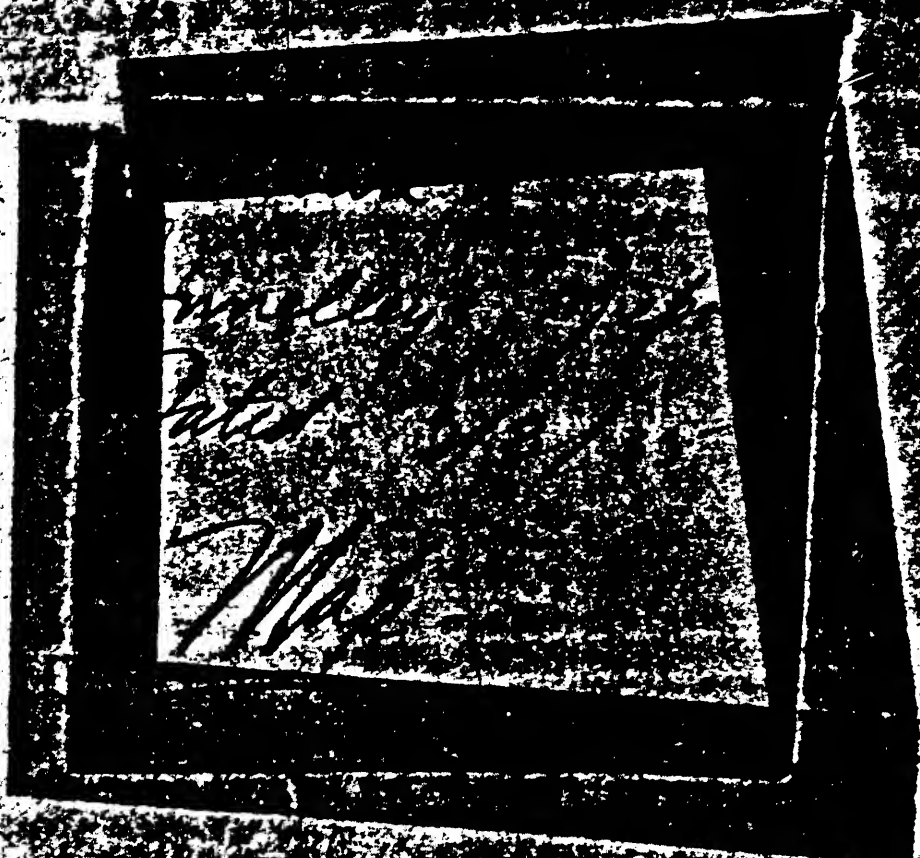
When later interviewed on January 22, 1935, Dolores Delaney verified the fact that they had been living at 1121 Northeast 85th Street, which house they had rented from Grace Thomas; that when they rented this place they paid the rent, \$750.00, in advance to May, 1935; that Joe Adams had shown them the house and probably knew the owners thereof; that as she recalls they went to the race track on what must have been Tuesday night, however she later corrected this to indicate that it was on Wednesday night, the day the newspapers reported the shooting at Oklawaha, and that a party, apparently Duke, came out and talked to Karpis and Campbell in the car; that on the following day, namely January 17, 1935, they got the money which they had used in coming north; that at the time they were talking she did not hear them say anything as to the shooting at Oklawaha; that the next day she and Wynona went to the Tivoli Hotel and Duke met them, although she did not know his name, and took them to his room, where he gave her \$1,000; that this was made up of bills of various denominations, \$100, \$50, and she spent some of this to go up to Atlantic City; that she spent possibly \$150.00 for clothes at Atlantic City and gave Karpis probably \$500.00 at Atlantic City; that Wynona obtained her money from Harry Campbell; that she had not seen Joe Adams since they left the hotel and moved to the address which they left on January 16, 1935; that she does not know anything about the safety deposit box rented by Karpis under the name of Wagner in Havana,

Cuba, that she did not know of Karpis trying to change a car in Atlantic City on Saturday, January 19, 1935; that she does not know how Duke Randall came into possession of the Ford coupe, which they previously had; however, she is certain that they proceeded to Miami in a Ford coupe from the North; that she has been in the place of Harry Sawyer at Wabasha; that probably in June, 1935, she was living at Oak Park, Illinois; that she recalled them having lived in Michigan City or Long Beach, Indiana; that she recalls Irene and George called at this place; that the only party living with them was the owner of the house who did the house-keeping for them, a Mrs. Konvalinka, this woman having a son attending a military academy; that Paula Harmon came out to this place while they were living there, accompanied by a party who might have been Freddie Barker; that she never met Tommy Carroll; that she first met Wynona Burdett at Reno at the bathhouse, at which time Wynona was with Paula Harmon; that after leaving Reno she and Ray went to Chicago, going first to the Orlando Hotel and later to the Yates Avenue address; that while at Reno she went to a place known as the Reno Club, where she played "tango"; that most of the time she went alone; that she believes she was in St. Paul in August, 1935; that they left Chicago to go to Reno; that Gladys and Harry Sawyer and Will were with them in Cleveland; that she does not recall "Ollie". She advised that Ray was gone at the time over night from Miami; that when they arrived in Atlantic City she also had the address of the Richmond Hotel, but they did not go there.

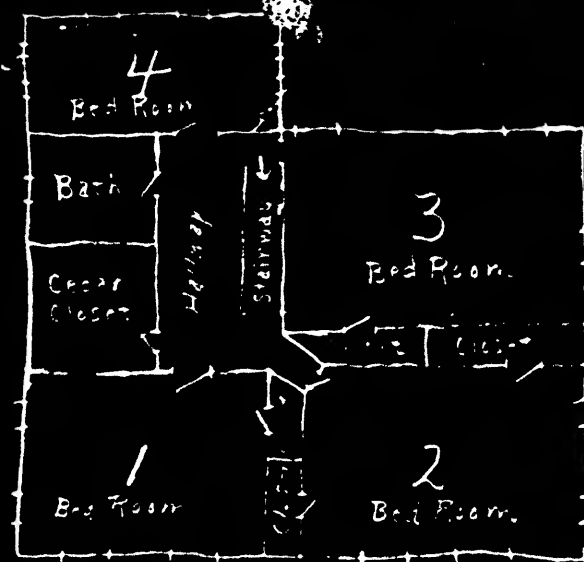
She advised that she has one brother, Robert Delaney, known as Bud, age 21, height 5' 10" or 11", weight 140 pounds, slender build, with dark hair and brown eyes; that she does not recall him ever being at Erie, Pennsylvania, and believes he is now located in Chicago; that her father's name is James Delaney, but that she does not know where he is, as he separated from her mother a long time ago; that she has lived in St. Paul since she was about five years of age, having been born in North Dakota; that she does not know when she saw Bill and Myrt last (referring to William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton).

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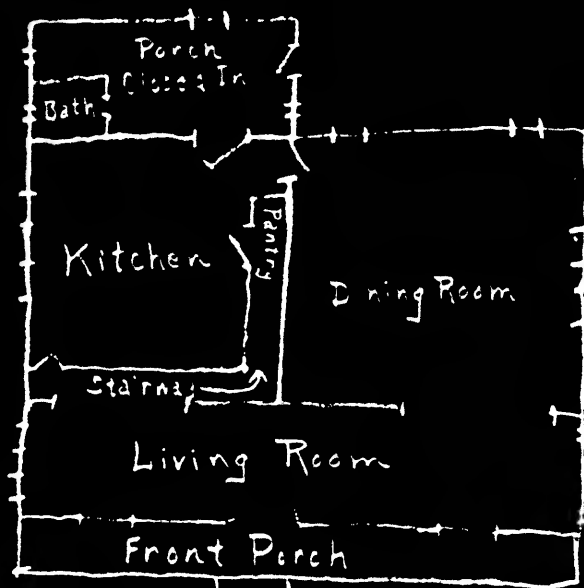
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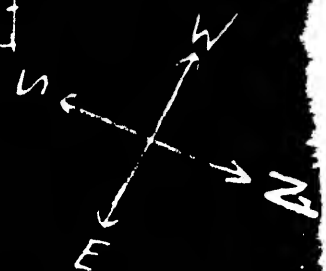
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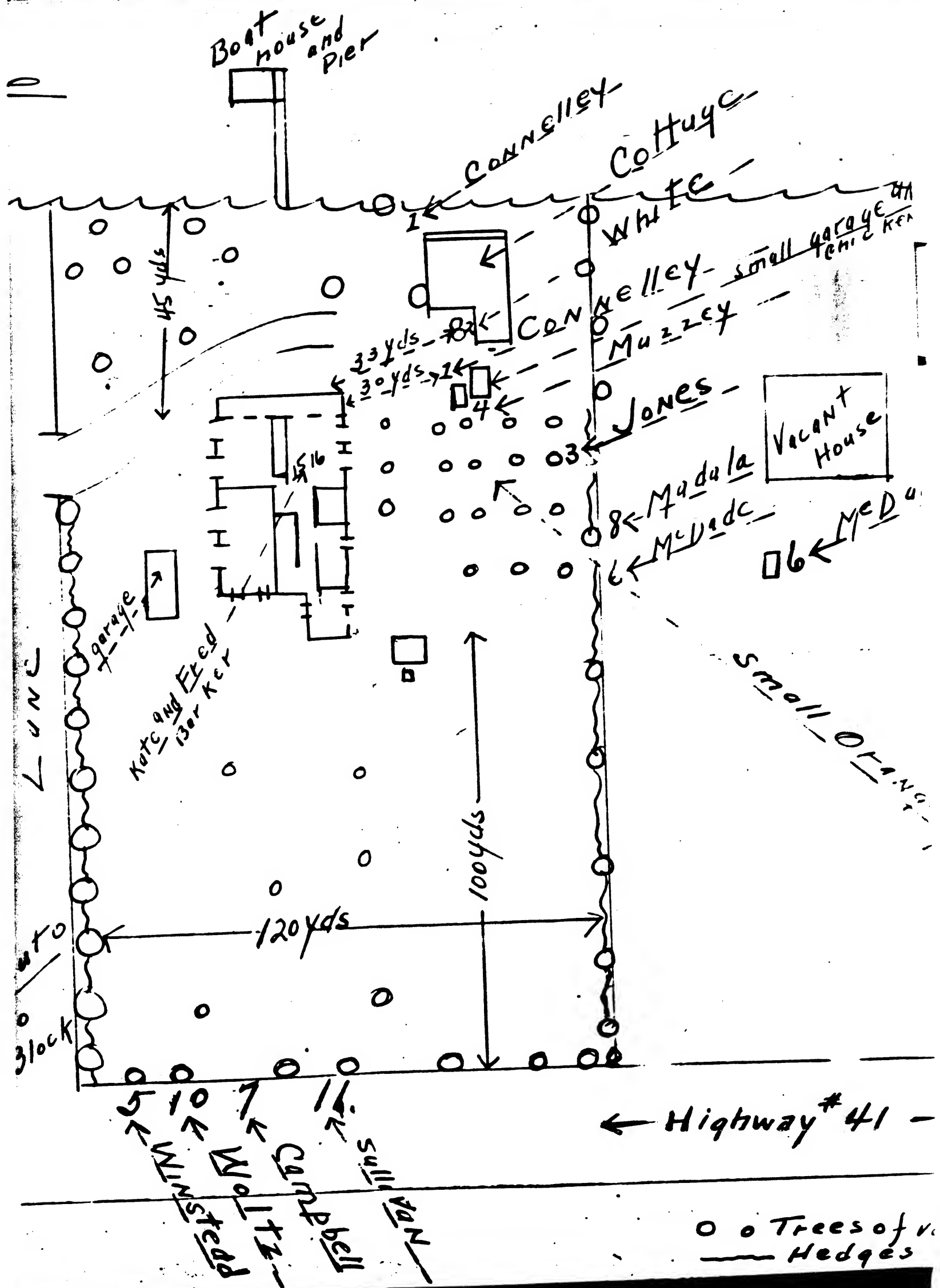


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